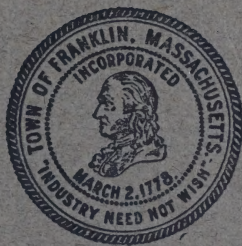


SEVENTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE OFFICERS OF THE
Town of Franklin



For The
Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31
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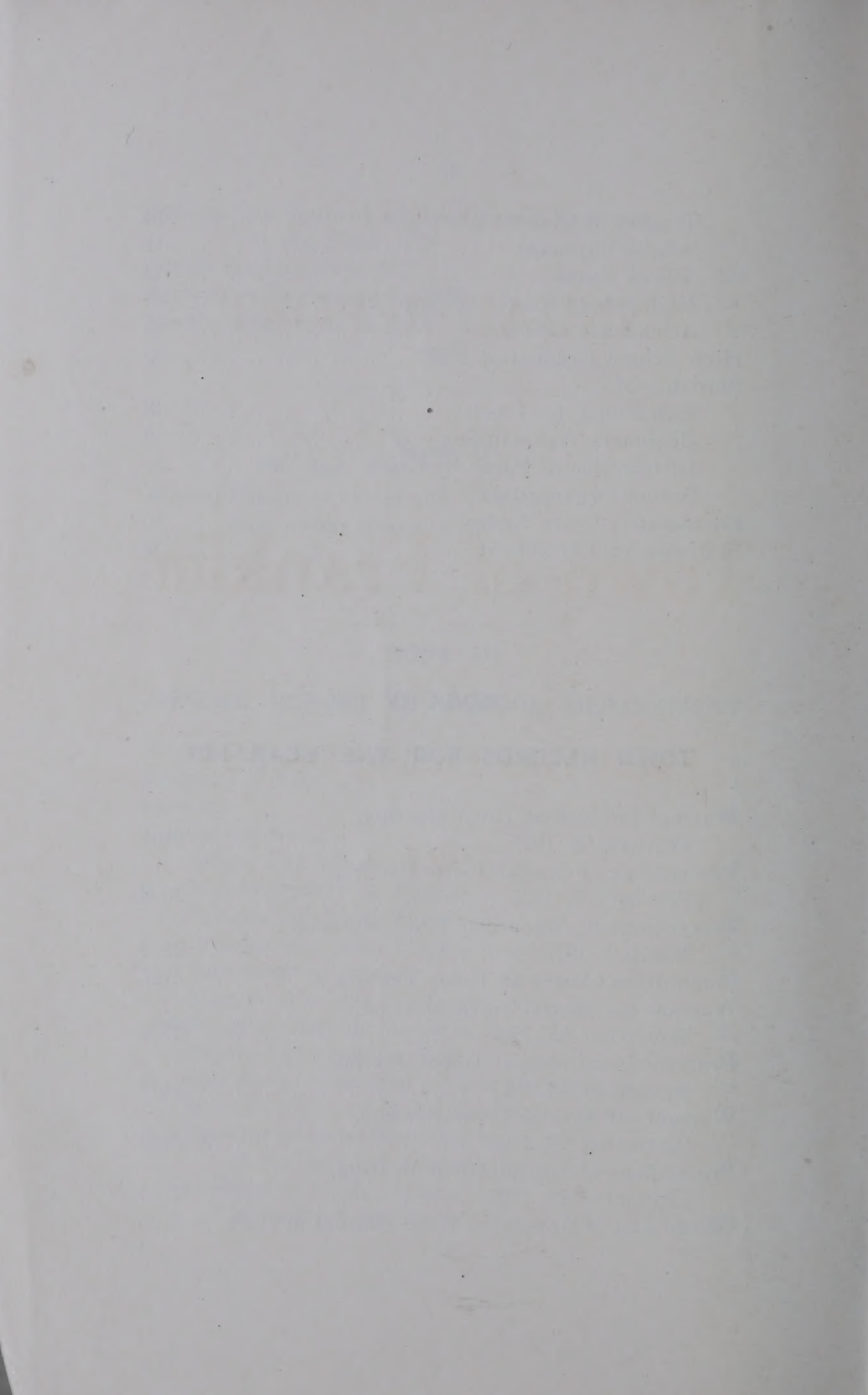
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Town Officers Elected

For Municipal Year 1927

Moderator

ARTHUR W. PEIRCE

Selectmen

RUEL E. HEYWOOD

DANIEL A. CODY

EDWARD S. COOK

Town Treasurer

A. SCHUYLER CLAPP

Assessors (for three years)

LESLIE H. WARE

Town Clerk

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO

Overseers of the Poor

GEORGE E. EMERSON

JOHN B. HEALEY

GEORGE F. RIBERO

Auditor

CARL B. EMERSON

Collector of Taxes

CLARA E. MARTIN

School Committee (for three years)

LEE C. ABBOTT

Board of Health (for three years)

JOHN M. CROWLEY

Water and Sewer Commissioner (for three years)

LEROY W. STOTT

Constables

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON
CARL F. ENGLER
HERBERT C. STEWART

Tree Warden

JOHN W. STOBART

TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED

Town Planning Board

ORESTES T. DOE EUGENE F. SULLIVAN
for three years

Finance Committee

ARTHUR W. PEIRCE, Chairman

CARL E. BAILEY	HAROLD L. PENDLETON
ARTHUR W. ROBINSON	GEORGE F. RIBERO
A. SCHUYLER CLAPP	JOHN M. RILEY
DANIEL A. CODY	B. M. ROCKWOOD
MRS. AGNES B. DANA	THEO H. ROTH
MARTIN W. DONAHUE	DANIEL F. SHEA
A. D. HANCOCK	HERBERT C. STEWART
MISS ANNIE T. KELLEY	LOUIS VENDETTE
WM. S. JOHNSON	LESLIE H. WARE
ALBERT H. MANN	PALMER A. WOODWARD

Chief of Police

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON

Engineers of the Fire Department

LESLIE S. WIGGIN
 GEORGE F. RIBERO
 WILLIAM J. DAVIS

Superintendent of Streets
 CHARLES H. ROBINSON

Day Officer and Lockup Keeper
 DENNIS J. FEELEY

Night Officers

CARL F. ENGLER HAROLD BARNES

Special Police Officers

GEORGE M. PROAL	ELMER F. THOMPSON
JOHN J. McCARTHY	HENRY HANNON
ERNEST WARD	CLARENCE DEAN
RALPH COOK	HENRY HART
ALBERT BURGESS	RAINDER HAARSMAN
RUEL E. HEYWOOD	PATRICK CASEY
E. DUDLEY AUSTIN	HENRY J. CROCKETT
CHARLES H. ROBINSON	ALBERT F. GRANGER
EDWARD S. COOK	AGOSTINO DEBAGGIS
ROBERT HEYWOOD	EDWARD C. BARNES
LORING JOHNSON	EDWARD WESTMAN
WILLIAM YANKEE	CHARLES R. GOWEN
FRANK P. MURPHY	JOSEPH E. DENTON
PAUL GILBERT	FRED J. BASSETT
OWEN MORRISSEY	

Dog Officer

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WILLIAM BLANCHARD

Public Weighers

HARRY BULLUKIAN	CHESTER AUSTIN
LOUIS BISHOP	HENRY SIMMLER
FRANCIS GREEN	CHARLES LOUGEE
PATRICK LALLY	

Measurer of Hay and Grain

HARRY BULLUKIAN

Measurer of Wood and Bark

EDWARD S. COOK

Soldiers' Burial Agent

RUSS W. HARDING

Forest Fire Warden

GEORGE F. RIBERO

Gypsy Moth Superintendent

JOHN W. STOBART

Surveyor of Lumber

EDWARD S. COOK

Registrar of Voters

THOMAS F. KEEFE

Fence Viewer

GEORGE MACMILLAN

Agent Board of Health

RUSS W. HARDING

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Voters of the Town of Franklin:

The personel of the Board of Selectmen during the past year has been the same as has served you during the three precceeding years, Ruel E. Heywood, who was elected chairman at the organization meeting, Daniel A. Cody and Edward S. Cook. At that time the Board elected Ernest L. Metcalf as clerk, and he resigned in April and George W. Rickard was elected to succeed him. The Board has functioned with almost entire unanimity throughout the year, which has been an exceptionally busy one, because of the building of the State, County and Town highway on Washington Street, the construction of the new State highway between Franklin and Wrentham on East Central Street, and the general work of the highway department. This has been especially difficult because of the unusually rainy season, which, at times, has almost amounted to flood conditions, and would have, had not Franklin been fortunately situated topographically. Time after time outlying streets, and sometimes those nearer the center, have been repaired after a heavy rain, only to be washed out a few days later. This necessitated taking employes from projects in hand, and transferring them to the washed-out areas, thus delaying and upsetting the routine of the department. The cost, too, of repairing these washouts was considerable and the Board had to hew close to the financial line to not overdraw the appropriation granted by the voters.

One of the matters that has engaged the attention of the Board and which consumed much time, was the building of the new state highway on East Central Street. Although built by the State, it was the duty of the Board to award damages to the abutting owners, and to do this intelligently, many meetings were held, and abuttors were interviewed both in the rooms of the Board and on the location. Frequent consultations with the engineers of the State Highway Department

were also necessary, and the Board feels that the settlement of the damages was made with justice to the taxpayers and the abutting claimants.

In connection with this new state highway, the Board wishes to call attention to the fact that the contract has been awarded for building a new highway by the state from Franklin to the Mendon line through West Central Street and Bellingham. The Board has already employed considerable time in consultations with the state engineers and with abutting owners relative to the settlement of the land damages and the location of the new highway, and much more work is yet to be done along these lines.

The fourth section of the new highway being built by the State, County and Town on Washington Street, was completed this year and was officially accepted by the State and County and the share of each was paid into the town treasury. This leaves but one section to be built and this is to be done this year. Your Board recommends that this job be let out by contract in conjunction with the Town of Bellingham, which municipality has its last section to build to meet the Franklin work.

Crescent Street has for years been a great annoyance to the highway department, to the residents along the thoroughfare and any who were obliged to travel it either by foot or in vehicles. During the past summer the highway department has, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, put in a new surface water drain in the street, changed the grade in many places and macadamized it with asphalt binder, and the street now is a credit to the Town, we believe. During the hardest rains the water did not remain on the street for any length of time and travel over it is now not fraught with any of the difficulties heretofore.

The heavy rains during the past summer have enhanced the nuisance of the drain running from the rear of the property of the Morse estate through to the crossing. The ditch from the crossing has been dug out and enlarged by Percy G. Lloy's gasoline shovel, and a connecting ditch has been dug from the rear of the Morse estate property, thus greatly improving, but not eliminating the nuisance.

The Board at this point wishes to emphasize the necessity of having the surface water drainage problem in Franklin intelligently studied, so that a system may be devised and established to take care of the surface water and thus do away with many of the spots which are continually called to the attention of the Board after a storm, and also avoid much damage by washouts.

At the last annual Town Meeting the Selectmen were instructed to endeavor to secure a reduction in the electric lighting rates in Franklin, and after conferences with the officials of the Union Light & Power Co., a reduction was obtained without the necessity of taking the matter up with the Board of Public Utilities.

Other important matters have been attended to by the Board. The Town dump has been moved from Chestnut Street to Oak Street, and, except for some difficulties encountered at first, has proved highly satisfactory.

North Park Street has been practically rebuilt, Park Road has been repaired and coated with tarvia, Geb Street has been put in an excellent condition, and part of High Street, Main Street and Pleasant Street have been resurfaced and tarvia applied. Under the direction of the Selectmen and in conformity to a vote passed and an appropriation made by the voters, Grand Army Hall has been renovated, new floors laid and the interior painted.

A large area of granolithic sidewalks has been laid during the year, to the general improvement of the Town. One of the greatest improvements, the Board feels, was the work done on Dean Avenue at the corner of Main Street. Through the generosity of the Franklin National Bank, owner of the building at the corner, a strip of land was given so that the corner of the streets could be shortened and the street widened. The Bank laid a granolithic walk on Dean Avenue, and improved the appearance by changing over the bulkheads and unsightly projections on the building. During the year the Board has sold the South Franklin school house and the one at Popolatic and also the wood lot owned by the town in the Indian Rock section, as authorized by the annual Town Meeting.

The Board has had numerous suggestions relative to the installation of an electric traffic control system, and as a result of these suggestions have consulted with engineers, who have submitted plans and prices for such installation. Owing to the fact that these plans and prices have been but recently submitted to the Board, no opportunity has been given to study them in detail.

We wish to conclude by giving an expression of appreciation to the voters who have elected us to office the past four years, thus showing that our endeavors to give our best services to the Town have not been in vain.

Respectfully submitted,
RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK,
Selectmen of Franklin.

THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of Franklin:—

The Town Planning Board herewith submit their third annual report.

There will be available, from the income of the Fletcher Fund when \$2,291.14, the proceeds from last year, is paid in, the sum of \$9,481.66. We recommend that this money remain in the Savings Bank where it is and be allowed to accumulate another year so as to be available for use when the War Memorial Committee shall report their plans to the Town.

The Town appropriated \$250.00 last year for use of the War Memorial Committee. This sum has not been used and is returning to the Excess and Deficiency Fund. We recommend that \$250.00 be again appropriated for this year for the use of the Committee.

Your Board has given considerable time and labor to the Zoning Plan for the Town. We can report progress in the matter, but the whole question is a very intricate one and calls for much thought and consideration, and so we feel obliged to ask for further time before making a complete report to the Town. Further advancement of the work will necessitate the drawing of a plan for submission to the Town. A small appropriation will be necessary, and we ask the grant of \$250.00 for this purpose. Fortunately the Insurance Exchange has prepared recently a complete plan of the Town. One of these can be procured at an expense of less than \$50.00, and we feel it should be done, both for its usefulness to the town officers in general and as a basis of the work of the Planning Board.

It has seemed best to the Board that we should proceed first with the Zoning Plan and then go on with the building regulations later.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. PEIRCE, Chairman.
EUGENE F. SULLIVAN.
ORESTES T. DOE.
A. SCHUYLER CLAPP.
WILLIAM S. JOHNSON.

ASSESSORS' REPORT 1927.

Valuation		\$8,809,283.00
Land	\$1,779,900.00	
Buildings	5,366,810.00	
Personal	1,662,573.00	
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		\$8,809,283.00
Gain in Valuation		\$186,678.00
Rate per Thousand	\$29.30	
Amount committed to Collector under Warrants		\$262,363.82
Real and Personal		
Property	258,115.82	
On 2064 Polls	4,248.00	
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		\$262,363.82

Recapitulation

Town Appropriations	\$315,729.76	
Special Meeting	1,000.00	
1923 Overlay Deficit	114.69	
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State Assessments		
State Tax	\$16,440.40	
State Highway	2719.49	
	<hr/>	\$19,159.89
County Assessments		
County Tax	\$13,710.39	
Special Tax	2,272.44	
		\$15,982.83
Overlay (of current year)	1,537.05	
TOTAL		\$353,524.22

Estimated Receipts

Income Tax	\$25,926.25	
Corporation Tax	26,335.92	
Bank Tax	409.00	
Departmental Receipts	14,462.89	
Free Cash	24,089.50	
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Total deductions		\$91,223.56
Net Amount raised by taxation		
Including \$4,248.00 Polls		\$262,363.82
Tax Rate 29.30		
Property Tax	\$258,115.82	
	<hr/>	\$258,115.82

Religious and Literary Institutions.

Value of Property Exempted by Statute from Taxation.	
Personal	\$441,823.02
Real Estate	571,700.00

Property of the Town of Franklin.**ASSETS**

School Buildings	\$200,000.00
Water Works	200,000.00
Sewer System	7,000.00
Town Farm	7,000.00
Town Parks	6,000.00
Fire Department	41,500.00
Town Hall	8,000.00
Road Department	9,000.00
Grand Army Hall	2,000.00

\$480,500.00

LIABILITIES

Water Bonds	\$137,000.00
Sewer Bonds	62,000.00
School Bonds	280,000.00
School Notes	3,000.00
Lucretia Pond Fund	1,000.00
Surplus War Bonus Fund	3,572.79
H. B. Fletcher Improvement Fund	6,896.66

\$493,469.45

Number of Non-Residents	
Assessed on Property	179
All Others	79

276

Number of Persons Assessed	
on Property	2270
For Poll Tax only	961

3231

Number of Poll Taxes Assessed	2,124
Number of Dwelling Houses	1,499
Number of Acres of Land	16,665 $\frac{3}{8}$
" " Horses	241
" " Cows	441
" " Nt. Cattle	38
" " Swine	98

Number of Goats	40
" " Foxes	54
" " Fowl	11,152

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM H. GOLDING,
WILLIAM J. DICKSON,
LESLIE H. WARE,
Assessors of Franklin.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Franklin, Mass., January 16, 1928.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Chief of Police I hereby submit the report of my department for the year ending December 31, 1927.

Arrest made for

Drunkenness	24
Violation of Automobile Laws	21
Larceny	12
Violation of Liquor Laws	12
Assault and Battery	9
Destroying Property	9
Disturbing the Peace	3
Non Support	3
Neglected Children	3
Statutory Offences	3
Violation Explosive Laws	2
Vagrant	2
Concealing leased property	2
Promoting a Lottery	1
Violation of Milk Laws	1
Keeping unlicensed dog	1
Default	1
Committed to Insane Hospitals	4

Estimate for 1928 — \$9,300

Respectfully Submitted,
FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON,
Chief of Police.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LOCK-UP KEEPER

Franklin, Mass., January 16, 1928.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Lock-up Keeper I beg to submit the report of confinements in the lock-up for the year ending December 31, 1927.

Confined for

Drunkenness	23
Violation of Automobile Laws.....	3
Assault and Battery	3
Vagrancy	2
Statutory Offence	1

Respectfully Submitted,

DENNIS J. FEELEY,

Lock-up Keeper.

THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Franklin:

During the year ending December 31st, 1927, there were reported to the Board of Health three hundred and sixty-eight cases of communicable disease, as follows:

Anterior Poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis) ..	2
Chicken-pox	16
Diphtheria	43
German Measles	7
Influenza	5
Lobar Pneumonia	5
Measles	184
Mumps	2
Scarlet Fever	96
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	2
Whooping-cough	4
Gonorrhea	4
Infectious Diarrhea	1

In co-operation with the State Department of Health, and the local School Department, there were over twenty-eight hundred inoculation treatments against the

disease of diphtheria, administered in various school clinics. We most earnestly advise the immunization of children from six months to fourteen years of age.

Quarantine regulations are designed for the protection of the entire community, and as the health of the individual is a public asset, in which the civil government has an interest, broad police powers may be exercised. We regret that it was necessary to station an officer to enforce our regulations during the incidence of a communicable disease, during the past year.

The board requests the sum of \$2,200.00 for the ensuing year.

JOHN M. CROWLEY, M. D., Chairman,
CHARLES B. HUSSEY, M. D.,
GEORGE I. PECK, Secretary,
Board of Health.

Budget for the Board of Health for 1928.

Estimate for Aid,	\$ 993.50
Salary of Agent,	1,000.00
Estimate for Vital Statistics,	56.50
Estimate for Office & Missls,	150.00
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	\$2,200.00

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING, DAIRY AND MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health:

I herewith submit my report of the above mentioned offices for the year ending December 31st, 1927.

Quarantined forty-three cases of diphtheria and ninety six cases of scarlet fever.

Total room fumigation, for all causes, two hundred and ninty-eight rooms.

On sanitary inspection, the following nuisances were ordered abated:

Sources of filth in stores,	15
Sources of filth in dwellings,	1
Sources of filth in yards,	13
Flush closets and vaults, ordered cleaned and repaired,	12
Vaults condemned,	9
Cesspools and drains, ordered cleaned and repaired,	6
Cesspool ordered installed off sewer lines, ...	1
Repairs to plumbing systems ordered,	4
Violation of Bakery Laws, ordered abated, ..	5
Dump nuisances ordered abated,	7
Connection with sewer system ordered,	7
Improvements upon premises of milk producers ordered,	4
Two Court appearances under Chapter 94. Section 19.	
Ordered the burial of five dead animals.	
Confiscated a total of 267 lbs, of food stuff, as unfit for human food.	
Ordered quarantined three dogs.	

As Inspector of Slaughtering, have passed and stamped, 25 hogs and 1 beef. Condemned three portions of hogs, as unfit for human food.

As Dairy and Milk Inspector, have made seventeen sediment tests of milk, found nine clean, seven with traces of sediment and one moderately clean. Destroyed 125 quarts of milk, probable contamination by disease. There were nineteen inspections of premises of milk producers.

Issued the following Licenses and Permits, collected fees and other funds due the department and remitted same to the Town Treasurer.

37 Milk Licenses @ .50c. each,	\$ 18.50
13 Alcohol Licenses @ \$1.00 each,	13.00
7 Oleomargerine Licenses @ .50c each, ..	3.50
3 Garbage collectors Permits @ \$1.00 each,	3.00
2 Undertaker's Permits @ \$1.00,	2.00
1 Slaughterer's License,	1.00
1 License for Pasteurization of Milk, ..	10.00
2 Licenses for the Manufacturing of Ice Cream @ \$1.00 each,	2.00

Received from State Subsidy,
 Norfolk County Hospital, 394.99
 Total Receipts of Department \$447.99
 Issued five Milk Producer's Permits, no charge.
 Respectfully submitted,
 RUSS W. HARDING,
 Agent and Inspector.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS FOR 1927

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Fire Department responded to 80 alarms for fire during 1927 of which 17 were box alarms and 63 still alarms. They also responded to calls for aid to Bellingham and Wrentham.

The apparatus consists of one triple combination pumper, one city service Ladder truck, one combination chemical and hose and one service truck; all in good condition. The department has 4,000 ft. of double jacket hose in good condition which is 1,000 feet short of what we should have on hand.

The weather strips and caulking, for windows and doors at the station, which was voted for at the special town meeting were put on by the American Weather Strip Co. and are proving very satisfactory.

The new charging board and repeater for the alarm system for which \$5,000 was appropriated has been installed in the station by the Gamewell Co. of Newton.

We recommend the sum of \$11,500.00 be appropriated for the rebuilding of the outside circuits of the alarm system as recommended by the Gamewell Company's engineers.

We recommend the sum of \$8,500.00 for expenses for the department the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
 LESLIE S. WIGGIN,
 G. F. RIBERO,
 WILLIAM J. DAVIS,
 Engineers of Fire Dept.

FIRE LOSS FOR YEAR 1927

Date	Call No.	Box	Owner	VALUE		Loss	Insurance	Cause
				Building	Contents			
2-12-27	22	Still	Louis Namotke	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,500.00	Yes	Unknown
3-11-27	28	161	Edward Hannon	1,200.00	800.00	1,037.00	"	Overheated stove
4- 6-27	34	141	C. W. Anderson	5,000.00	2,000.00	150.00	"	Sparks from grass fire
4- 8-27	36	5	A. Ajemian	300.00	100.00	218.50	"	Sparks from forest fire
5-25-27	47	132	Jeobram Shaheen	3,000.00	1,200.00	942.00	"	Sparks from stove
7-12-27	55	8	J. F. Brogan	800.00	500.00	25.00	"	Spark from emery wheel
7-29-27	58	8	P. Brunelli	5,000.00	1,500.00	88.00	"	Unknown
8- 3-27	59	Still	Caroline McCarthy	700.00	350.00	1,050.00	"	"
9-16-27	62	43	A. B. Chilson	6,000.00	2,000.00	40.00	"	Overheated furnace
11-23-27	72	411	Charles Connors	5,000.00	1,500.00	3,500.00	"	Electric wires
11-25-27	73	15	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.			6,500.00	No	Careless with gasoline
11-29-27	78	Still	Bardol Bros,	300.00	900.00	285.00	Yes	Oilstove overflow

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Franklin, Mass., January 17, 1928.

To the Board of Fire Engineers:

This last year a great improvement has been made in your Fire Alarm System.

A new whistle valve was installed on Clover Worsted Whistle. This was found to be a necessity as the old one was worn out and leaked badly.

The apparatus at your Central Fire Station has been renewed and up-to-date Instruments installed. The new Switchboard and Repeater for which \$5,000.00 was appropriated at the last Town Meeting has been installed and is giving great satisfaction both in the working of the system and of finding troubles.

A new Horn and Relay was installed at Engineer Ribero's Residence. Thus warning him of Alarms and giving him quick notice of all Fires.

This year I hope that \$11,500.00 will be expended to complete your Fire Alarm System making it a modern and up-to-date System in every way.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. BLANCHARD

Superintendent of Fire Alarms.

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Franklin, Mass., Dec. 31, 1927.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith hand in my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for Year ending Dec. 31, 1927.

	Sealed	Condemned
Platform Scales, over 5000 lbs.	3	0
Platform Scales, 100 to 5000 lbs.	4	0
Spring Scales, over 100 lbs.	4	1
Spring Scales, under 100 lbs.	8	0
Weights avoirdupois,	19	0
Gasolene Measuring Pumps,	6	1
Quantity measures on pumps,	31	0
Yard Sticks,	3	0
Tape measure	1	0
Sealing fees paid and turned over to Town Treasurer, \$20.60		

This year has been quite active in regard to a New Law passed in April making it necessary for all Peddlers to be licensed. This took a lot of the Sealer's time in checking them up and seeing if they are properly licensed, thus using up a lot of time that should have been used in checking up scales and measuring devices.

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM E. BLANCHARD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Budget for Sealer's Department for the Year 1928.

Estimate for Supplies,	\$ 10.00
Estimate for Cartage,	40.00
Salary for Sealer,	300.00
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	\$350.00

WILLIAM E. BLANCHARD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Franklin, Mass., Jan. 17, 1928.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen:

I hereby hand in my resignation as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Franklin. To take effect as soon as possible.

The position is one now that requires a lot of time which I find it impossible to give on account of my Business.

I would suggest that a man be appointed who can give a large part of his time to it.

Respectfully yours,
WILLIAM E. BLANCHARD

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the Forest Fire Department. Responded to 59 calls, none of which were fires of any size, as we were able to get to these fires before they gained very much headway. During the so called fire season, a man was on look-out duty in the Tower of the Engine House, as that is now considered a very necessary part of the work.

There was purchased during the year 12 pump cans and 12 Extinguishers.

As far as possible the regular fire force was relied on as any of these men are able to lead a force of fighters in the woods, in that way there is more reliable work done.

Unexpended balance \$92.00. Outstanding bills, Evening Call \$5.78. Salary of Warden \$200.00.

There should be at least 12 pump cans bought this coming year. I recommend \$1,000 be appropriated in addition to the above.

Very respectfully submitted,

G. F. RIBERO,
Forest Fire Warden.

REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

With the exception of legal holidays and the month of August, the Franklin Library was open to the public every week day from 2 to 5.30 P. M. and 7 to 9 P. M. during the year of 1927.

The number of persons drawing books was 1287, an increase of 70 over last year. The number of books

drawn was 15,747, an increase of 2,873. The fines collected for books kept out over time amounted to \$89.61.

The number of books added to the shelves was 283. Of these 266 were acquired by purchase; 11 were gifts from the State; 6 were magazines bound.

There were donated to the Reading-room: — "The Franklin Sentinel," by the Editor, Mr. A. F. Ralston; "The Christian Leader," by a friend; "General Federation Magazine," by the Alden Club; "Theosophical Magazine," by the Theosophical Society; "Columbia," by the Knights of Columbus; "Our Dumb Animals," by the S. P. C. A.

From the U. S. Government, State, and publishers, were received 15 bound volumes and 10 pamphlets.

The Directors of the Franklin Library Association respectfully recommend an appropriation of \$1,500.00, to assist in defraying the necessary expenses of the Library for the ensuing year, 1928.

Miss Helen Simonds, librarian of the Children's Room, reported a circulation of 12,093 books, and 184 new borrowers. 196 books were added, including magazines bound. \$37.07 was received for fines.

By Order of Board of Directors,

MARY A. WIGGIN.

ANNUAL REPORT OF GYPSY MOTH WORK FOR THE YEAR 1927

Franklin, Mass., Jan. 1, 1928.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Appropriation for the Year 1927,	\$1,200.00
Expenditures for the Year,	1,196.97
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Balance	\$4.03

The Town of Franklin was scouted and all nests Creosoted all over the Town, excepting Summer Street be-

yond the Town Farm to the Sheldonville Line. This we found impossible to creosote as the nests were so thick. I called in your committee appointed by the Finance Committee to go over the ground with me, and Mr. Donald B. Chapman and Mr. Albert C. Mason went out over part of the territory with me and found conditions very bad. Also I called the State department in and they recommended that we spray both sides of the Road on Summer Street to the Sheldonville line which we did and kept the moths from spreading to the center of the Town.

Now the center of the Town trees are in very good condition but the outskirts especially around Popolactic Pond district is very bad.

I recommend the appropriation for the coming year for the Gypsy Moth Department for creosoting and spraying, the sum of \$1,200.00. I remain,

Yours respectfully,

JOHN W. STOBART,
Local Superintendent,
Gypsy Moth Department.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Franklin, Mass., Jan. 1, 1928.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Appropriation for the year 1927,	\$800.00
Expenditures	790.35
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Balance	\$9.65

The tree department has taken down 34 trees, trimmed 117 street trees, also trimmed out the Electric Lights on various streets, also trimmed all the trees on the Common, also the charity work on the Common was cleaned and all cemented which Mr. H. T. Heywood kindly paid for, which was \$87.00.

I think that the Union Light and Power Co. should pay for part of the trimming for the lights, or that could be

overcome by the Light Company dropping the lights lower or placing the lights in the center of the streets away from the trees as they do in other towns.

Also I recommend for the coming year, 1928, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the trimming of the Town trees; also \$200.00 for the trimming of the trees in the Union Cemetery.

I remain, yours respectfully,
JOHN W. STOBART,
Tree Warden.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This Department is caring for at the present time, 15 families or 49 persons living in homes of their own. They are receiving from \$4.00 to \$16.00 per week in cash, rent and fuel.

There are now 3 persons being cared for in Hospitals.

Sickness has been very expensive to this department this last year. We were able to close two cases this year, but had one new one for full support. Owing to lack of work these last few months, a number have had temporary aid, persons who through no fault of their own were obliged to ask for help.

This department has out-standing bills estimated at \$800.00, this includes one Hospital case, costing the Town \$350.00.

All the wood used in this department is bought on the lot, and sawed, all the teaming is by the Farm Team.

Town Farm

There is at this time 10 inmates, most of the year there were 12. Not any of the women are able to do any work about the place, some of the men do a little.

There were 3 deaths at the Farm and one person removed to the State Infirmary, as this case could not

be cared for here. Enough vegetables and poultry raised for home use and some poultry sold.

The house was shingled and some repairs made this last year, and the house is very well kept.

Estimate \$23,000 in addition to out-standing bills.

G. E. EMERSON

J. B. HEALEY

G. F. RIBERO

Overseers,

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Auditor for the Town of Franklin I have checked the figures relating to the receipts and expenditures of money for the year ending December 31st, 1927; have checked and verified the cash, and find the various accounts to be correct.

The bills of each department have been analyzed, and distributed under special departmental headings, in detail.

Would suggest that each department distinctly mark on each bill, under what heading or headings the bill is chargeable, thereby facilitating the distribution when the invoices come to this office.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL B. EMERSON,
Auditor.

R E C E I P T S

TAXES—GENERAL REVENUE

Current Year

Polls	\$4,024.00
Personal	43,760.51
Real Estate	173,356.56 \$221,141.07

Previous Years

Polls	\$28.00
Personal	4,749.38
Real Estate	30,731.48 35,508.86

State

Corporation	\$29,356.31
Income	34,406.72
Trust Company ...	17.06
Bank Tax	1,064.93 64,845.02

Licenses and Permits

Jitneys	\$18.00	
Pool	40.00	
Junk	50.00	
Automobile	22.00	
Auctioneers	8.00	
Peddlers	117.00	
Liquor	2.00	
Motor Cycles	5.00	
Firearms	2.00	
Bus Lines	32.00	296.00

Grants

State Aid	\$354.00	
Dog Licenses	1,176.47	
King Street:		
State	6,000.00	
County	6,000.00	13,530.47

COMMERCIAL REVENUE**Assessments**

Sewer	\$71.00	71.00
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT**Town Hall**

Rents	\$377.00	377.00
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Police

Pay roll protection	308.00	
Norfolk County ...	12.00	
District Court	399.65	
House of Correction	200.00	919.65

Fire

P. A. Woodward, ins. rebate	5.68	5.68
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Forest Fire

N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	385.50	385.50
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Board of Health

State of Mass.	\$394.99	
Misc. receipts	53.00	447.99

Weights and Measures

Fees	\$22.04	22.04
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Public Welfare

State of Mass.	\$6,274.18	
Town of Norfolk ..	208.00	
City of Chicopee ..	278.64	
P. A. Woodward ..	8.43	
Metropolitan Life, burial	54.50	
Town Farm Receipts	132.35	6,956.10

Schools

Manuel Training ..	\$228.90	
F. H. S. Association	10.75	
State of Mass., tui- tion	1,736.88	
Town of Norfolk, tuition	356.85	
Town of Bellingham, tuition	3,370.25	
W. E. Mitchell, ins. rebate	30.00	
Refund on freight	.70	
Miscellaneous	150.90	5,885.23

Highways

Leon J. Landry, water cart	2.00	2.00
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Sidewalks

Dennis F. Duggan .	\$49.68
W. S. Johnson ...	46.08
R. T. Johnson	142.83
Jas. E. Mather ...	56.90
U. L. Burns	97.43
J. B. Crocker	46.26
Universalist Church	76.95
George H. Grant ..	37.35
F. H. Appleton, Jr...	94.88
Edgar Metcalf	63.30
L. W. Stott	383.91
M. J. Costello	56.61
Franklin National Bank	247.44

Geo. F. S. Singleton	143.82	
Prince S. Crowell..	76.50	
W. Bourbeau	58.14	
M. A. Jeffers	39.02	
Louis Vendetti ...	61.96	
A. Simon	82.53	
Fred L. Tufts	39.78	
Wm. A. Bartlett ..	28.82	1,930.19

Notes

Anticipation	\$300,000.00	300,000.00
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Town Property

W. J. Dickson, Lincoln St. School ..	\$415.00	
E. & A. Johnson, So. Franklin School..	500.00	
Edward E. Field, Wood Lot	210.00	
Geo. E. Dorr, Washington St. Bldg...	20.00	
Nellie Padula, So. Franklin School .	100.00	1,245.00

Interest

Merchants Nat'l Bank	310.48	
National Shawmut Bank	14.08	
Franklin National Bank	157.23	
Clara E. Martin, taxes	1,184.55	
Clara E. Martin, sewer	9.58	
War Surplus Bonus	162.56	
A. B. Fletcher Fund	172.99	
Lucretia Pond Fund	45.50	2,056.97

Water Department

Collections	\$39,702.74	39,702.74
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Miscellaneous

P. A. Woodward, re-		
bate on Ins.	\$16.41	
State Boxing Com-		
mission	10.33	
Veteran's Exemption	52.43	
A. B. Fletcher Fund	5,198.71	5,277.88
Grand total receipts.....		\$700,606.39

SELECTMEN

Appropriated	\$1,500.00
Expended	1,488.98
Unexpended	11.02

Salaries

Ruel E. Heywood..	114.58	
Daniel E. Cody.....	91.65	
Edward S. Cook...	91.65	297.88

Clerical

George W. Rickard..	112.50	
E. L. Metcalfe.....	16.66	129.16

Janitor

Albert Burgess	77.25	77.25
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Rents

Franklin Nat'l Bank	600.00	
One-half		
Tax Collector's ..	195.00	795.00

Supplies

Stewart Press	18.36	
A. C. Mason.....	8.50	
Carl Carlson	1.00	
Hobbs & Warren..	.67	
Smith's News Store.	.15	28.68

Miscellaneous

Sentinel Press	20.25
Evening Call	22.88

Harry Bright, labor	10.00	
E. S. Cook, expenses	13.00	
Carl Carlson	3.00	
Commissioner		
Safety50	
A. C. Mason60	70.23

Telephone

New England Telephone Co.	90.78	90.78	\$1,488.98
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AUDITOR

Appropriated	\$350.00
Expended	327.82
Unexpended	22.18

Expenses

C. B. Emerson,		
Salary	300.00	
Thorp & Martin		
Supplies	2.32	
A. C. Mason, supplies .....	.50	
A. Schuyler Clapp,		
Rent	25.00	\$327.82

TREASURER

Appropriation	\$1,350.00
Expended	1,353.45
Overdraft	3.45

Salaries

A. Schuyler Clapp .	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00
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Supplies

Thorp & Martin...	19.34	
Carl Carlson	43.44	
A. C. Mason.....	6.39	69.17

Miscellaneous

Luther Buchanan, Bond	112.50		
Thos. Keefe, Insurance	21.28		
C. J. Fitzpatrick, Insurance	20.50		
Treasurer's expenses	80.00	234.28	\$1,353.45

TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriated	\$2,300.00
Expended	2,446.61
Overdraft	146.61

Salaries

Clara A. Martin	\$2,133.92	\$2,133.92
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Supplies

Hobbs & Warren ..	9.19	
Sentinel Press	25.00	
Stewart Press	26.00	60.19

Miscellaneous

C. J. Fitzpatrick, in- surance	27.50		
Thomas F. Keefe, insurance	225.00	252.50	\$2,446.61

ASSESSORS

Appropriated	\$2,350.00
Expended	2,349.97
Unexpended	\$0.03

Salaries

W. H. Golding, Jr..	\$656.00	
Leslie H. Ware ...	459.00	
W. J. Dickson	655.50	\$1,770.50

Supplies

Yawman & Erbe ..	111.74	
Hobbs & Warren ..	11.10	
Norfolk County ...	.29	
Sentinel Press	190.00	
A. L. Burdakin	8.24	321.37

Miscellaneous

W. H. Golding, use of auto	\$136.50		
W. H. Golding, ex- pense .....	.48		
W. J. Dickson, ex- penses	27.86		
A. L. Burdakin, Ab- stracts	72.36		
Auto Tax Service, lists	5.00		
Times Publishing Co.	5.50		
Mabel C. Wayte, Probates	6.00		
Stewart Press	3.00		
Evening Call	1.40	258.10	\$2,349.97

TOWN CLERK

Appropriated	\$550.00
Expended	566.90
Overdraft	\$16.90

Salaries

M. J. Costello	\$250.00	
M. J. Costello, vital statistics	293.00	\$543.00

Supplies

P. B. Murphy	7.35	7.35
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Miscellaneous

Luther Buchanan, bond	4.00
Evening Call	2.10
Sentinel Press	3.50

Stewart Press	2.50		
M. J. Costello, ex- press	4.45	16.55	\$566.90

Elections and Registrations

Appropriated	\$400.00
Expended	398.25
Unexpended	\$1.75

Salaries

Thomas F. Keefe ..	\$30.00		
Fred E. Mason	36.75		
Walter L. Hancock,	25.50		
M. J. Costello.....	38.25	\$130.50	

Pay Rolls

Election Officers ..	55.00	55.00	
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Supplies

Stewart Press	26.25		
Sentinel Press	140.89		
Thorpe & Martin ..	6.86	174.00	

Miscellaneous

Modern Cafe, din- ners	11.25		
K. R. Jewett, team- ing	2.50		
Morse Opera House, rental	25.00	38.75	\$398.25

TOWN HALL

Appropriated	\$800.00
Expended	647.70
Unexpended	\$152.30

Janitor

Charles P. Dailey..	\$334.00	\$334.00	
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Lights

Union Light & Power Co.	56.70	56.70	
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Repairs

A. J. Cataldo & Sons,	164.88		
William Paver	1.50	166.38	

Supplies

Clover Worsted Co.,			
fuel	65.81	65.81	

Miscellaneous

Bent Bros., ashes ..	\$17.20		
Water Dept.	4.11		
Francis Weaver ...	3.50	24.81	\$647.70

LEGAL

Appropriation	\$500.00		
Expended	89.00		
Unexpended	\$411.00		

Expenses

R. H. Gardner	\$25.00		
Herbert L. Metcalfe	10.00		
A. Schuyler Clapp..	44.00		
William H. Holmes,	10.00	\$89.00	\$89.00

FINANCE

Appropriation	\$50.00		
Expended	32.00		
Unexpended	\$18.00		

Expenses

Director of Accounts	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$8,900.00		
Expended	9,880.90		
Overdraft	\$980.90		

Salaries

F. G. Knowlton ...	\$2,002.00		
F. G. Knowlton, ex-			
penses	51.75		

Dennis J. Feeley ..	1,820.00	
Carl F. Engler	1,820.00	
Carl F. Engler, ex-		
penses	8.00	
Harold Barnes	1,820.00	
Harold Barnes, ex-		
penses	2.00	\$7,523.75

Special Police

Per pay rolls	778.50	778.50
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Lights

Union Light & Power .		
Co.	43.19	43.19

Auto and Maintenance

Harris' Garage	561.92	
John Rollinson & Co.	92.80	
McKenzie's Garage,	8.50	
John Rollinson, new		
auto	477.00	1,140.22

Lock-Up

D. J. Feeley	30.00	
A. H. Morse Estate,	125.00	155.00

Paymasters

Harold Barnes	29.00	29.00
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Miscellaneous

Walter Sullivan	20.00	
Leon J. Landry, la-		
bor	89.01	
George Sims	1.50	
P. A. Woodward ...	2.80	
A. J. Cataldo Sons..	5.00	
Forest LeMier	6.00	
John F. Brogan ...	1.50	
Union Light & Power,		
lamps	3.33	
Harry Alexander ..	1.00	
F. G. Knowlton,		
phone	12.00	

Fred M. Stevens . . .	4.50		
Sentinel Press	10.60		
Dr. C. E. Richardson . . .	3.00		
M. J. Costello, uni- forms	51.00	211.24	\$9,880.90

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$13,000.00
Expended	12,929.00
Unexpended	\$70.91

Salaries

L. S. Wiggin	\$400.00	
W. J. Davis	200.00	
G. F. Ribero	200.00	
W. E. Blanchard, alarm	400.00	\$1,200.00

Firemen

Per pay rolls	660.00	
Bonuses 1926	1,144.75	
Various	604.03	2,408.78

Motors

Harris' Garage	229.78	
John F. Brogan	306.76	
Central Auto Sta- tion	5.70	542.24

Gas

Standard Oil Co.	94.29	94.20
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Fire Station

Georgiana Brown, laundry	83.75	
George I. Peck	1.91	
Hande Wrench Co.	6.75	
Ralph Tracey, House Man	1,716.00	
Peck Coal Co.	306.71	
Everett Stewart	24.00	
Joseph Boucher	4.00	2,143.12

Telephone

New England Telephone Co.	149.30	149.30
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Lights and Power

Union Light & Power Co.	291.70	291.70
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Supplies

A. W. Chesterton & Co.	\$63.25	
Archer Rubber Co. .	102.00	
George I. Peck	42.22	
E. G. Richter	5.00	
Eureka Fire Hose Co.	18.34	
Standard Extinguisher Co.	7.50	
M. F. Ellis & Co. .	10.77	
M. J. Costello	10.50	
W. K. Gilmore & Sons Co.	1.80	
Franklin Furniture Co.	8.00	
A. J. Cataldo & Sons,	7.21	
The Gamwell Co. .	12.09	
American La France	4.58	
Arthur H. Blanchard	2.16	
Harry Bullukian ..	133.02	428.44

Repairs

A. J. Cataldo & Sons	\$59.80	
Kingman Hdw. Co..	21.17	
J. T. Dauphinee....	2.25	
Franklin Furniture Co.	21.00	
E. L. Blanchard ...	62.04	
John McCarthy ...	1.00	
Maxim Motor Co. .	261.50	
George Sims	7.00	
Graybar Electric Co.	42.54	
Neil McIvor	98.80	
Boston Coupling Co.	.50	

W. C. Clark .....	.63		
Eureka Fire Hose Co.	1.63	579.86	
Miscellaneous			
Reilly's Express ...	\$0.40		
Davis Dept. Store..	17.83		
Water Dept.	25.67		
A. C. Mason	3.50		
E. L. Blanchard ...	22.00		
Clover Worsted Co.	15.00		
P. A. Woodward ..	11.02		
Tax Dept., 33 polls exempted	66.00		
J. Stewart	3.39		
Franklin Lumber Co.	31.23		
Franklin Laundry ..	1.82		
A. S. Clapp	1.50		
The Gamwell Co., Fire Alarm	4,892.00	\$5,091.36	\$12,929.09

FOREST FIRES

Appropriated	\$1,200.00
Expended	1,108.21
Unexpended	\$91.79

Salaries

George F. Ribero ..	\$200.00	\$200.00
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Firemen

Per pay rolls	370.55	370.55
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Motors

John F. Brogan ...	146.38	
Harris' Garage	34.10..	180.48

Supplies

Slotnick & Sons ..	\$1.50	
Henry K. Barnes & Co.	106.70	
Foamite Childs Corp.	81.30	

J. B. Farnum Co. . .	12.51	
Arthur H. Blanchard	147.73	349.74

Miscellaneous

George Sims	5.75	
Sentinel Press	1.69	7.44 \$1,108.21

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriated	\$350.00
Expended	\$350.00

Expenses

Russ W. Harding,			
salary	\$50.00		
Wm. E. Blanchard,			
salary	292.58		
merchandise	7.42	350.00	\$350.00

GYPSY MOTH

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Expended	1,560.97
Overdraft	\$60.97

Salaries

John Stobbart	\$475.00	\$475.00
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Labor

Dewey Bean	308.00	
Arthur Stobbart . . .	320.00	
E. R. Enegren	36.00	
Frank Brown	24.00	688.00

Auto Trucks

Allowance and hire	202.00	
Joe's Auto Station.	6.50	
John Rollinson & Co.	1.92	210.42

Supplies

John Stobbart, arse-

nate of lead	98.00	
John Geb, Mdse. ..	17.00	115.00

Miscellaneous

P. A. Woodward, in- surance	36.55		
C. B. Tupper, stor- age	36.00	72.55	\$1,560.97

SHADE TREES

Appropriation	\$800.00
Expended	725.35
Unexpended	\$74.65

Salaries

John Stobbart	\$230.00	\$230.00
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Labor

Dewey Bean	136.00	
Arthur Stobbart ...	172.00	
George Brown	6.00	314.00

Autos and Trucks

Allowance John Stob- bart	131.00	131.00
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Repairs

William Paver	1.50	1.50
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Miscellaneous

P. A. Woodward, in- surance	36.55		
C. B. Tupper	11.00		
John E. Tenney ...	1.30	48.85	\$725.35

BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriated	\$2,800.00
Expended	2,755.48
Unexpended	\$44.52

Salaries

Russ W. Harding, salary	\$1,000.00	
Russ W. Harding, travel	49.30	\$1,049.30

Board

Norfolk County ...	786.50	
Mass. Homeopathic Hospital	279.00	1,065.50

Medical

Dr. H. R. Green ..	59.75	
Dr. Solon Abbott ..	19.00	
Dr. C. E. Richardson	12.50	
Dr. J. M. Crowley ..	48.25	
Dr. C. B. Hussey ..	81.75	
Dr. Geo. L. Vogel ..	20.00	241.25

Supplies

C. B. Dolge Co.	53.12	
Hobbs & Warren ..	2.49	
Sentinel Press	7.50	
Evening Call	4.20	
Russ W. Harding ..	6.79	74.10

Miscellaneous

Sentinel Press	40.53	
Thomas Keefe	79.00	
Jos. E. Denton, of- ficer	144.75	
Evening Call	4.20	
Leslie Wiggin	7.25	
R. W. Harding ...	19.60	
Mrs. Daniel Mackay, nursing	30.00	325.33
		\$2,755.48

INSPECTION SCHOOL CHILDREN

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended	\$500.00

Expense

Dr. Solon S. Abbott	\$500.00	\$500.00
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INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriated	\$200.00
Expended	\$200.00
Expense	
George A. Allen ...	\$200.00 \$200.00

WATER DEPARTMENT**Receipts**

Balance Jan. 1, 1927,	\$13,989.47	
Collections	39,702.74	
Appropriation	8,780.00	\$62,472.21

Expenditures

Departmental expenses	\$38,308.85	
Bonds paid	14,000.00	
Interest paid	5,340.00	57,648.85
Balance Jan. 1, 1928		<u>\$4,823.36</u>

Analysis Departmental Expense**Salaries**

Fred A. Darling ...	\$1,200.00	
Fred A. Darling, ex-		
penses	147.15	
Fred P. Chapman ..	37.50	
Leroy W. Stott	37.50	
B. M. Rockwood ..	50.00	\$1,472.15

Pumping Station

Kingman Hdw. Co.	89.70
Union Light & Power Co.	5,113.61
Worthington Pump Works	18.19
Ashton Mfg. Co. ..	33.22
A. W. Chesterton Co.	5.95
E. L. Blanchard ..	124.27
P. A. Woodward ..	467.91
Hinckley Coal Co. .	436.21

N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	722.12	
A. W. Harris Oil Co.	53.22	
Bristol Co.	8.30	
J. J. Stewart	136.19	
Wm. C. Clark	3.77	
Woonsocket Supply Co.	35.03	
Mason Regulator Co. ....	.76	
Allen & Reed	1.30	
Ray Cotton Co.	39.40	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co.	62.50	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	19.51	
Sumner & Dunbar ..	3.99	
Builders Iron Foun- dry	13.00	
U. S. Rubber Co.	3.52	
Foxboro Co.	13.89	
Nash Engineering Co.	465.86	
Charles G. Cleve- land	27.50	
Napoleon Laundry	5.31	
W. K. Gilmore Sons Co.	10.00	
Franklin Lbr. Co.	2.40	
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	10.52	
Crosby Steam Gage Co.	11.80	
Franklin Petroleum Co.	1.25	
Labor, various pay rolls	2,026.00	9,966.20

General Expense

Labor, per pay rolls	\$2,117 03
Kingman Hdw. Co.	153.17
W. C. Clark	165.83
New England Tele- phone	83.91
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. ....	.56

Allen & Reed	26.29	
Crosby Steam Gauge	6.61	
Winter Bros. Co. ..	1.57	
Edson Mfg. Co. ...	13.95	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co.	44.43	
Tensile Steel Co. ..	113.61	
John J. McIsaac ...	47.75	
Standard Oil Co. ..	30.39	
A. S. Clapp	470.00	
A. C. Mason	2.30	
Waldo Bros. & Bond Co.	42.09	
Combination Ladder Co.	6.16	
Red Hed Mfg. Co..	21.50	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	2.72	
Stewart Press	33.00	
Franklin Lumber Co.	26.77	
P. A. Woodward ..	209.34	
F. A. Darling, ex- pense	8.54	
Milford Hospital ..	12.50	3,640.02

Motors

Kingman Hdw. Co.	7.25	
D. B. Chapman & Co.	56.43	
Standard Oil Co. ..	99.64	
Auto Insurance Co.	40.45	
George B. Sims ...	6.00	
American Mutual Ins. Co.	57.64	267.41

Main Construction

Labor, per pay rolls	\$410.50	
Sumner & Dunbar..	57.75	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	136.26	
F. A. Darling, ex- pense	2.30	
Allen & Reed	1,004.09	
J. J. Stewart	35.00	

Chadwick Boston		
Lead Co.	81.66	
E. L. LeBaron		
Fdry Co.	6.72	1,734.28

Main Maintenance

Labor, per pay rolls	\$2,006.72	
Harrington, King & Co.	33.82	
Chadwick Boston		
Lead Co.	179.27	
Tropical Paint Co...	8.08	
Allen & Reed	4,437.86	
Kingman Hdw. Co..	27.07	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	577.93	
Norwood Engineer- ing Co.	452.00	
J. J. Stewart	206.60	
Iron Trap Rock Co.	78.60	
W. K. Gilmore & Sons Co.	5.00	8,012.95

Service Maintenance

Labor, per pay rolls	\$1,500.84	
Gamon Meter Co...	11.34	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	5.41	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	228.70	
Chadwick Boston		
Lead Co.	63.03	
National Meter Co.	83.68	
Brown Wales Co...	2.09	
F. A. Darling, ex- pense	5.14	1,900.23

Service Construction

Labor, per pay rolls	\$1,688.22	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	1,138.00	
Allen & Reed	549.53	
National Meter Co.	576.50	
Sumner & Dunbar .	100.86	
Geo. A. Caldwell Co.	33.94	

Red Hed Mfg. Co..	103.26	
J. W. Lyons Co. . .	382.50	
Kingman Hdw Co..	169.87	
Thompson Durkee Co.	19.22	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	49.58	
Neptune Meter Co..	12.60	
LeBaron Foundry Co.	46.75	
Mueller Co.	35.79	
W. K. Gilmore Sons Co.	39.74	
Franklin Lbr. Co. . .	11.20	
F. A. Darling, ex- pense	7.83	
Brown Wales Co. . .	28.75	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co.	43.65	
Federal Meter Co. .	12.60	3,923.77

Miscellaneous

New Stand Pipe

Labor, per pay rolls	\$2,244.02	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	6.50	
W. K. Gilmore Sons Co.	1,830.71	
Percy G. Lloy	647.50	
Franklin Lbr Co..	128.48	
A. Schuyler Clapp.	174.85	
Wm. C. Clark	102.89	
Wm. Carberry & Sons	1,700.76	
Kingman Hdw. Co.	3.88	
J. J. Van Valken- burgh	298.00	
J. J. Stewart	63.75	7,201.34

Beaver Dam

Labor, per pay rolls	\$151.50	
John Stewart	39.00	190.50 \$38,308.85

SEWER DEPARTMENT**Receipts**

Balance Jan. 1, 1927	\$187.60	
Appropriated	5,000.00	\$5,187.60

Expenditures

Departmental expenditures	4,757.98	4,757.98
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Bal. Jan. 1st, 1928		\$429.62
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Expenditures**Salaries**

Fred A. Darling ..	\$1,200.00	
B. M. Rockwood ..	50.00	
Fred P. Chapman..	37.50	
L. W. Stott	37.50	
F. A. Darling, expense	7.30	\$1,332.30

General Expense

Labor, per pay rolls	954.66	
P. A. Woodward ..	196.85	
Kingman Hdw. Co.	22.40	1,173.91

Motors

D. B. Chapman & Co.	39.62	
George Sims	6.00	
Auto Mutual Ins. Co.	40.46	
Standard Oil Co. ..	99.65	
American Mutual Ins. Co.	57.65	243.38

Sewer Maintenance

Central Iron Foundry	18.85	
Town of Milford ..	40.00	
Labor, per pay rolls	247.25	306.10

Sewer Beds

Labor, per pay rolls	1,662.04	
J. J. Stewart	11.75	
P. A. Woodward ..	22.50	
Franklin Lbr. Co...	6.00	1,702.29
		\$4,757.98

HIGHWAYS

Appropriated	\$30,000.00
Expended	29,988.05
Unexpended	\$11.95

Labor

Pay rolls and vari- ous individuals ..	\$12,814.23	\$12,814.23
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Snow Removal

Pay rolls and vari- ous individuals ..	3,387.95	3,387.95
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Gas and Oil

Universal Refining Co.	108.84	
Tidewater Oil Co. .	20.68	
Franklin Petroleum Co.	353.44	
Standard Oil Co. .	826.92	
Harris' Garage	2.28	
Ralph Jewett	1.98	
Charles Mignelli ...	.90	
Mucciarone's Gar- age	1.40	1,316.44

Freight, Express and Cartage

Reilly's Express ..	2.00	
American Railway Express	8.19	
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. P. Co.	164.89	
Nelson's Express ..	5.25	
Cataldo Bros.	1.75	
George McQuesten .	8.00	
C. H. Robinson ...	1.21	191.29

Motor Maintenance

Donald B. Chapman & Co.	\$1,143.40
Thorne's Garage ..	36.95
John Rollinson & Co.	867.58

Eagle Garage Co...	7.91	
The White Company	415.31	
Harris' Garage ...	751.25	
John F. Brogan ...	358.96	
Franklin Motor Sales Co.	2.65	
S. & F. Auto Service Co.	9.93	
Registrar of Motor Vehicles	10.00	3,603.94

Supplies

Edward S. Cook ..	\$55.00
Percy G. Lloy	733.25
George I. Peck ....	.21
Wood Hydraulic Hoist Co.	66.50
Dyar Sales & Ma- chinery Co.	209.00
Central Iron Foun- dry	60.00
Leo E. Sylvestre ..	42.00
Iron Trap Rock Co.	892.09
Max Tero	6.25
M. W. Allen Con- struction Co.	83.94
The Bond Company	19.55
Good Roads Ma- chinery Co.	216.17
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	93.75
Waldo Bros. & Bond Co.	177.50
Franklin Lumber Co.	19.12
Leon J. Landry ...	15.70
W. K. Gilmore & Sons Co.	312.53
New Haven Trap Rock Co.	206.65
Charles B. Tupper..	10.00
Brand-It Corpora- tion	17.50
Daniel Sullivan ...	55.44
William F. Carberry	50.40
Arthur W. Robinson	47.70

Franklin Petroleum		
Co.	20.00	
F. A. Caldwell	35.00	
George Dorr	10.50	
A. C. Mason	1.20	
N. E. Metal Culvert		
Co.	46.57	
Robinson Auto-		
motive Corp.	32.30	
Curry Bros. Oil Co.	18.83	
Berger Mfg. Co. .	749.94	
Ray Cotton Co. ...	5.20	
Lester W. Darling.	40.50	
Tropical Paint Co..	30.24	
M. F. Ellis & Co...	16.50	
John A. Geb	62.79	
A. J. Cataldo &		
Sons	14.63	
Kingman Hdw. Co.	3.21	
Washburn Sheriden		
Co.	150.00	4,627.66

Repairs

George L. Sims	\$333.35	
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	13.60	
Dyar Sales & Ma-		
chinery Co.	8.00	
Wm. C. Clark ..	40.38	
R. H. Curry	11.75	
M. F. Ellis & Co...	34.30	
Kingman Hardware		
Co.	72.63	
Adam Armstrong	17.35	
F. M. Stevens	12.00	
Buffalo Springfield		
Co.	122.52	
William H. Chisolm	16.95	
Central Iron Foun-		
dry	30.00	
William Pavor ....	.50	
Neil McIvor	34.00	
James Dauphnee ..	2.00	\$749.33

Miscellaneous

Union Light &

Power Co.	\$24.45		
American Railway Express .....	.89		
New England Tele- phone Co.	111.62		
Charles Lawrence .	4.20		
Stewart Press	10.50		
Arthur Robinson ..	10.00		
Lester W. Darling..	4.50		
Water Dept.	4.38		
A. G. A. Company.	140.00		
Harry Bullukian ..	50.32		
C. H. Fitzpatrick..	162.00		
George W. Rickard	112.50		
A. Schuyler Clapp..	114.60		
Thomas F. Keefe ..	30.00		
Bent Bros.	22.00		
John F. Rooney & Co.	129.20		
C. F. Robinson ...	39.50		
Percy Lloy	265.00		
William Kennedy .	2.12		
Raymond A. Berges- son, sidewalks ..	609.09		
Palmer A. Woodward	110.34		
American Mutual Li- ability Co.	921.42		
Evernu Century Sign Co.	150.00		
H. H. Riley Coal Co.	135.00		
Frank H. Toner ...	110.00		
George W. Rickard, express	3.58		
C. A. Robinson ...	20.00	3,297.21	\$29,988.05

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$11,000.00
Expended	10,863.74
Unexpended	136.26

Expense

Union Light & Power Co.	\$10,863.74	\$10,863.74
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SIDEWALKS

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Expended	1,950.00
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Overdraft	\$950.00

Expense

Raymond A. Berges-		
son	\$1,950.00	\$1,950.00
Note: Abutter's Assessments to balance overdraft.		

TARVIA

Appropriated	\$13,000.00	
Expended	12,943.39	..
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Unexpended	\$56.61	

Materials

The Barrett Co., tar-		
via	\$8,723.79	
Percy G. Lloy, sand		
and truck	1,537.63	
Natick Road Oil Co.,		
tar	1,488.43	
Stand. Oil Co., as-		
phalt	472.25	
C. A. Ross, sand...	30.00	\$12,252.10

Labor

Pay rolls	\$691.29	\$691.29	\$12,943.39
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriated	\$24,000.00
Expended	23,800.50
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Unexpended	\$199.50

Salaries

George E. Emerson	\$100.02	
George F. Ribero..	125.00	
J. B. Healey	62.50	\$287.52

Labor, Town Farm

Frank Barry	\$960.00	
Agnes Miller	520.00	
Irving Trentham ..	420.00	
Mrs. Oliver Gay ..	25.00	1,925.00

Mothers' Aid

Weekly pay rolls ..	\$8,313.00	8,313.00
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Medical

Dr. H. R. Green..	\$518.50	
Dr. J. Henry Feeley	4.00	
Dr. C. E. Richardson	637.50	
Dr. Hugh Gaw ...	25.00	
Dr. J. M. Crowley .	41.00	
Dr. C. B. Hussey ..	249.00	
Dr. H. A. Osgood..	12.00	
Dr. G. F. Curley ..	20.00	
Dr. Fish	5.00	
Dr. Solon Abbott ..	166.00	
B. B. Holden	9.25	
Albert C. Mason ..	53.87	
A. C. Dana & Sons	10.81	1,751.93

Almshouse

Martin Donahue ..	\$75.50	
A. B. Chilson	438.13	
Wamsutta Bottling		
Co.	45.00	
Standard Oil Co. ..	4.94	
Union Light &		
Power Co.	136.51	
W. K. Gilmore & Sons		
Co.	526.80	
Jarvis Ice Co.	86.22	
Davis Dept. Store..	38.28	
Harry Bullukian ..	763.41	
Frank Barry, phone	24.00	
Frank Barry, box		
rent	2.40	
Joseph Matarazzo .	42.55	
Water Dept.	117.26	
Ralph Davis	5.88	
George I. Peck ...	179.84	

George Gibson	131.86	
W. F. Cobb Co.	18.96	
John A. Geb	17.35	
Atwood Paper Co..	3.30	
Eldridge Baker Co.	60.38	
Chemo Co.	15.00	
Milford Hospital ..	259.25	
Wiley Soap Co.	19.50	
A. D. Hancock	50.00	
W. P. Hudson	3.75	3,066.07

Outside

Joseph Coutu	\$226.88	
George F. Ribero ..	469.13	
Harry Bullukian ..	522.35	
W. K. Gilmore Sons Co.	82.75	
The A. & P. Stores	37.73	
A. B. Chilson	25.85	
Edward S. Cook ..	294.00	
Frank W. Guild ...	210.00	
Doherty's Shoe Store	115.75	
Davis Dept. Store..	124.64	
The Ginter Stores ..	12.70	
DeBaggis & D'Erico	180.00	
Water Dept.	24.32	
Tax Dept.	118.63	
Klicko's Market ..	62.99	
Joseph Grici	42.20	
Anna DeCredito ..	95.40	
Union Light & Power Co.	3.99	
George I. Peck ...	15.91	
Mrs. John McMi- chael	22.00	
Model Shoe Store .	35.10	
Joseph Matarazzo .	23.24	2,745.56

Rents

Ida M. Holmes ...	\$275.00
Peter D'Amelia ...	198.00
Antonio Berghelli .	238.00
F. P. Brunelli & Son	62.00

James Paulelli	180.00	
Tony Chiampa	144.00	
Lula F. Chochrane ..	60.00	
Michael D'Angelo ..	216.00	
Rosalie Moore	56.00	
Bertha E. Thomas ..	35.00	
F. P. Brunelli & Son	119.00	
K. Donabadian	40.00	
George Greene	160.00	
Harry Bullukian ..	28.00	1,811.00

Board

Springfield, City of	\$39.00	
Milford Hospital ..	77.50	
Milford, Town of ..	873.00	
Holy Ghost Hospital	477.18	
Acushnet, Town of ..	254.00	
Attleboro, City of ..	36.00	
Mass. Hospital		
School	521.22	
Medway, Town of ..	57.81	
Union Ave. Hospital	59.00	
No. Attleboro, Town		
of	114.00	
Worcester, City of ..	47.25	
Dept. Public Works	4.29	2,560.25

Repairs

Kingman Hardware		
Co.	\$13.03	
George Simms	50.55	
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	70.41	
W. C. Clark	2.50	
A. J. Sutherland ..	59.95	
Alonzo Greenwood ..	14.00	
John A. Geb	7.20	
Franklin Lumber Co.	317.53	
Franklin Harnes		
Co.	5.75	
F. E. Dudley	149.50	690.42

Miscellaneous

Hobbs & Warren ..	\$1.58	
Ralph De Luccia ..	17.60	

P. A. Woodward ..	31.50		
Forest LeMier	12.00		
The Chemo Co. ...	61.05		
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	2.06		
M. L. Buchanan ..	12.90		
Leslie S. Wiggin ..	140.00		
Chas. B. Tupper ..	10.00		
A. W. Robinson ...	80.75		
Franklin Cemetery Association	24.00		
Thomas F. Keefe ..	56.00		
Franklin Lumber Co.	31.16		
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	78.72		
George Simms	19.50		
Edwin F. Ribero ...	20.00		
Evening Call	2.10		
Kingman Hdw. Co.	6.83		
Sewer Dept.	42.00	649.75	\$23,800.50

STATE AID

Appropriated, State of Mass.	\$354.00
Expended	689.50
Overdraft	\$335.50

Expenses

Pay rolls	\$312.00	
1926 Overdraft	377.50	\$689.50

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Expended	533.74
Unexpended	466.26

Expense

Pay rolls	\$446.00		
G. A. Roberts, Com- missioner	25.00		
City of Boston	62.74	\$533.74	\$533.74

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Appropriated	\$123,000.00	
Norfolk County	1,176.47	
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	\$124,176.47	
Expended	124,166.21	
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Unexpended	\$10.26	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE**Salaries**

Russ P. Harding	\$175.00	
Lee C. Abbott	50.00	
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		\$225.00

Clerical

Mary Molla	\$980.00	
Ella G. Cook	48.00	
W. J. Dickson, taking census..	77.70	
Sadie Cataldo, taking census...	85.00	
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		1,190.70

Superintendent

A. W. Hale, salary	\$3,150.00	
A. W. Hale, automobile allowance	419.17	
A. W. Hale, misc. expense ...	20.00	
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		3,589.17

Supplies

Carl Carlson, postage	\$53.84
Manuel Arts Press	2.00
School Forum Pub. Co.	7.51
F. D. Ballou	4.32
C. B. Tupper	12.00
The Palmer Co.	4.00
Hobbs & Warren	13.02
Burroughs Adding Mch. Co. ..	9.64
Dept. of Education	2.50
Wright & Potter	4.08
Bruce Pub. Co.	8.00
Yawman & Erbe	7.96

Office Appliance Co.	7.96	
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	6.00	
		<hr/> 142.83

Miscellaneous

Grace M. Wyman, expenses ..	\$3.30	
Sentinel Press	86.81	
C. B. Tupper, auto	144.00	
Stewart Press	19.00	
Potter Printing Co.	4.08	
Evening Call	7.35	
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Telephone

New England Telephone Co. ..	\$185.34	185.45
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SCHOOLS**Salaries**

Teacher's pay rolls	\$76,101.12	
Eleanor C. Gallivan	92.00	
Rose Walsh	20.00	
Laura Crockett	38.00	
		<hr/> 76,251.12

Janitors

Pay rolls	\$9,701.25	9,701.25
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Transportation

Johnson Bus Lines	\$2,600.00	
Charles B. Tupper	4,437.75	
Reinder P. Haarsma	213.75	
Town of Bellingham	47.00	
		<hr/> 7,298.50

Power, Light and Heat

Union Light & Power Co. ...	\$1,007.41	1,007.41
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Fuel

Hinckley Coal Co.	\$1,362.19	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	2,233.03	
Bent Bros.	515.50	
A. P. Bishop	818.31	
W. K. Gilmore & Sons Co. ...	58.30	

Edward S. Cook	69.00	
Spruce Pond Farm	114.30	
Edward Boulanger	29.31	
Isaac Lafleur	9.00	
M. Stello	3.50	
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		5,212.44

Health

Mucciarone's Garage	\$0.85	
Joe's Auto Station	4.85	
Harris' Garage & Battery Station	114.33	
A. C. Dana & Sons	44.32	
Nellie Mitchell, nurse	1,127.50	
Buffington's, Inc.	2.48	
U. C. Holmes, auto storage ..	48.00	
Albert C. Mason	3.65	
Franklin Motor Sales Co.	23.86	
William J. Murphy75	
Davis Dept. Store	1.23	
Palmer A. Woodward	32.41	
Bartlett & Fales	1.45	
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		1,405.68

Books and Supplies

D. C. Heath & Co.	\$221.69
Gregg Publishing Co.	56.27
A. H. Handy	4.00
Grand Rapids Wood Fin. Co.	5.19
Albert C. Mason	12.90
The Alice Shop	3.00
The Nile Bakery	20.10
George I. Peck	151.28
Ginn & Co.	364.13
John C. Winston Co.	130.65
Macmillan Co.	166.85
Narragansett Machine Co. ..	53.36
Fuelite Natural Gas Co.	54.00
Edward E. Babb & Co.	873.32
J. L. Hammett Co.	115.10
Palmer & Parker Co.	658.08
Martin W. Donahue .....	.60
Mitchell Woodbury Co.	42.07
Kingman Hardware Co.	63.14
Wheeler Publishing Co. ....	.60

Davis Dept. Store	1.30
Bright Farm Dairy	5.33
Eastern Magnesite Co.	5.12
First National Stores (Ginter)	37.51
Dowling School Supply	435.56
Milton Bradley & Co.	398.10
James T. Dauphnee	3.75
C. B. Dolge Co.	73.50
Franklin Lumber Co.	17.20
Abbott McKay Corp.	7.32
Oliver Ditson Co.	11.29
Stewart Press	15.33
Rand McNally Co.	21.19
Office Appliance Co.	62.71
A. C. Dana & Son .....	.50
Houghton Mifflin & Co.	128.96
The Remnant Shop	3.80
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	110.82
Lyons & Carnahan	262.80
Charles E. Merrill Co.	18.90
F. M. Ambrose Co.	38.00
World Book Co.	87.79
Kenny Bros & Wolkins	88.71
Harvard University Press	2.50
Maurice Stutman .....	.60
Wright & Ditson	12.55
Costello's Shoppe of Sweets..	1.20
Gertrude E. Mitiguy	3.55
Denoyer Geppert Co.	47.89
American Book Co.	155.82
The Golding Press	91.43
Yale University Press	71.25
Kerwin R. Jewett	18.50
Benjamin H. Sanborn Co.	35.55
Charles E. Merrill Co.	72.96
Silver Burdett Co.	12.31
Iroquois Publishing Co.	29.70
Longsman Green & Co.	210.87
Cheshire Chemical Co.	112.50
Ryan & Buker Co.	102.73
Little Brown & Co.	51.54
Arthur W. Robinson	6.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. Co.	13.11
Reformatory for Women	34.18
Chandler & Barber Co.	55.21

Central Scientific Co.	151.71
Holden Patent Book Co.	55.10
Rand Kardex Co.	50.00
Arlo Publishing Co.	7.51
Century Co.	19.41
Allyn & Bacon ..	51.18
McGraw Hill Book Co.	1.28
J. Rowe Webster ..	5.50
Harcourt Brace Co.	17.01
F. E. Walsh ..	3.00
Wendell P. Hudson ..	2.68
W. M. Welch Mfg. Co.	81.67
English Journal ..	14.96
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co. ...	178.20
Standard Oil Co.	4.25
A. R. Block ..	10.05
Charles Scribner Sons ..	41.34
D. Appleton & Co.	22.97
Harry Bullukian ..	.45
Alice Fisher ..	3.50
James W. Brine Co.	37.01
Public School Pub. Co.	12.93
L. M. Glover Co.	16.15
H. I. Dallman ..	7.64
W. D. Gilpatric ..	20.40
University Pub. Co.	14.79
Rochester Germicide Co.	6.45
Russell Sage Foundation	1.00
Singer Sewing Machine Co. ..	8.47
Artercraft Industries ..	14.27
Bruce Pub. Co.	2.56
S. A. Curtis ..	3.13
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	6,840.34

Repairs

Percy G. Lloy ..	\$2.00
E. L. Blanchard ..	66.90
A. C. Dana & Sons ..	.75
A. J. Cataldo & Sons ..	565.15
Franklin Lumber Co.	22.17
A. L. Laviolette ..	53.40
William Paver ..	14.00
Harry W. Anderson ..	84.45
Kingman Hardware Co.	23.22
Neil D. MacIvor ..	8.00

W. C. Clark	10.45
George Simms	5.50
Waynell Chappell & Co.	20.86
New England Roofing Co.	901.00
The Swan Co.	64.57
J. J. McCarthy	1.00
James T. Dauphnee	22.31
K. R. Jewett .....	.75
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. ..	5.00
L. Sonneborn Sons, Inc.	145.95
Tropical Paint Co.	28.40
Hub Wire Cloth Co.	18.00
Frederic M. Stevens	68.23
A. W. Robinson	414.25
Reilly's Express	1.50
U. C. Holmes	405.00
W. K. Gilmore & Sons Co.	13.10
Charles Fiske	1.00
Standard Oil Co.	11.48
American Metal Weatherstrip Co.	199.60
E. H. Ballard	3.75
Alonzo Greenwood	121.20
C. Ristiano	25.00
John Geb .....	.90
Palmer A. Woodward	117.60
L. H. Koomey	207.86
Underwood Typewriter Co. ..	221.99
William Merchant	9.55
Fred L. Davis	12.85
Framingham Typewriter Ex. .	3.25
B. F. Davis	10.11
A. Simon & Sons	4.05
Remington Typewriter Co. ..	80.00
Boston Saw Co.	1.20
Franklin Laundry	5.39
Central Scientific Co.	4.00
American Type Co.	1.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	60.00

 4,067.69
Miscellaneous

A. C. Mason, mdse.	\$1.50
Bent. Bros., labor	52.30
Edw. E. Babb & Co., mdse.	36.16

Town of Franklin, water	422.35
Evening Call	3.50
Teacher's Retirement Fund . .	3,020.93
James T. Dauphnee, labor . . .	1.65
Kingman Hardware Co., mdse.	35.05
Franklin Lumber Co., mdse. . .	28.85
Workshop for Blind, mdse. . . .	14.30
L. M. Glover, mdse.	52.46
M. F. Ellis & Co., mdse.	55.00
Franklin Laundry	10.11
H. I. Dallman, mdse.	13.72
Mass. State Prison, mdse. . . .	111.75
Andrews Paper Co., mdse. . . .	112.50
Masury Young Co., mdse.	36.90
Livermore & Knight Co.	40.10
Town Bellingham, tuition . . .	68.79
Chas. B. Tupper, Trans.	2.50
George I. Peck, supplies	17.39
Joseph R. Rosen, diplomas . . .	59.85
Carl Harris, mdse.	1.80
N. Y., N. H. & H., freight . . .	5.72
J. Etta McCabe, auditing	250.00
Monument Mills, mdse.	46.50
Ralph Tracey, invitations	4.20
Sentinel Press	36.33
Remnant Shop, mdse.	10.00
Stewart Press, mdse.	8.00
W. P. Hudson, mdse.	19.80
Paul A. Gilbert, police	1.50
Waynell Chappell & Co., mdse.	3.50
Franklin Lbr. Co.	24.84
M. R. Dailey, labor	22.00
Palmer A. Woodward, insurance	1,091.39
Kerwin R. Jewett, teaming. . . .	8.00
Soapitor Co., mdse.	46.41
The Swan Co., mdse.	4.00
L. C. Smith Typewriter Co., mdse. . . . .	.63
Percy Lloy, mdse.	8.00
Town of Medway, tuition	467.82
C. B. Dolge Co., mdse.	53.11
Frank E. Fitts Co., mdse.	22.86
Norfolk County, Trade School . .	95.71
Augusta Mason, laundry	3.00

Commissioner Public Safety	35.00	
Division of Blind, mdse.	11.14	
A. M. Wolski, injury	47.00	
John Stobbart, labor	30.00	
Walter Mitchell, insurance ..	201.60	
Bartlett & Fales, mdse.	1.25	
A. P. Bishop, wood	8.50	
Pioneer Mfg. Co., mdse.	16.90	
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		6,784.17
Total expenditures		<hr/>
		\$124,166.18

LIBRARY

Appropriated	\$1,500.00	
Expended	\$1,500.00	
Franklin Library Association.	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

COMMONS

Appropriated	\$350.00	
Expended	\$350.00	
F. H. Brown, flag custody ...	\$27.50	
Kingman Hardware Co.	1.55	
H. T. Hayward	320.95	\$350.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated	\$300.00	
Expended	\$300.00	
Grand Army of the Republic..	\$100.00	
American Legion	100.00	
Spanish War Veterans	100.00	\$300.00

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriated	\$487.50	
Expended	\$487.20	
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Unexpended		\$0.30

Expense

The Sentinel Press	\$487.20	\$487.20
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INTEREST

Appropriation	\$20,000.00	
Interest earnings	5,340.00	
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	\$25,340.00	
Expended	25,454.51	
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Overdraft	\$114.51	

Water Bonds

Franklin National Bank	\$3,860.00	
State of Mass.....	1,480.00	\$5,340.00

School Bonds

Franklin National Bank	\$755.00	
Merchants National Bank	10,771.25	11,526.25

School Notes

Maurice J. Curran..	\$45.00	
Est. Palace L. Ramsdell	90.00	135.00

Sewer Bonds

Franklin National Bank	\$2,480.00	2,480.00
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Revenue Notes

Exchange Trust Co.	\$568.75	
Merchants National Bank	5,404.50	5,973.26
		\$25,454.51

EAST CENTRAL STREET LAND DAMAGES

Appropriated	\$4623.75	
Expended	4,348.00	
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Unexpended	\$275.75	
Cortis & Carrie Shangraw...	\$370.00	
Ralph W. Cook	95.00	

Chester P. & Susie M. Spof-		
ford	141.00	
Paul Norinian & Leona Pak-		
sarian	100.00	
Jennie A. Paine	480.00	
Carl W. & Nellie A. Parker ..	60.00	
Ernest P. & Olive A. Wood ..	55.00	
Perry N. Page	55.00	
Margaret I. Austin	75.00	
Horace W. Hosie	70.00	
Edward W. & Laura R. Strick-		
land	250.00	
Millie J. Wood	170.00	
Mayo E. Wood	55.00	
James A. & Bessie H. Reid...	125.00	
Gertrude M. Rose	15.00	
Louis Rosa	50.00	
Martha F. Woolford	525.00	
Louise B. Woolford	350.00	
Edward S. Cook	832.00	
Mario & Annie Gazzola	50.00	
Angelo DeLucci	175.00	
Dorothy G. Lightfoot	55.00	
American Woolen Co.	70.00	
Albert E. Ledbury	50.00	
Maria G. Ledbury	75.00	\$4,348.00

KING AND WASHINGTON STREETS

Appropriated	\$6,000.00
State of Massachusetts	6,000.00
County of Norfolk	6,000.00
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	\$18,000.00
Expended	17,983.20
Unexpended	\$16.80

Labor

Pay rolls and indi-		
viduals	\$6,756.55	\$6,756.55

Tarvia

The Barrett Co. ..	\$980.78	980.78
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Miscellaneous

Edward Boulanger, posts	\$27.15
Frank Toner, truck,	743.75
H. H. Riley Coal Co., trucks	513.00
Thos. J. Sullivan, la- bor	91.20
Harris Garage, mo- tor requirements	187.53
John Rollinson & Co., motor requirem'ts	131.60
Washburn Sheriden Co., steam shovel	4,110.13
W. B. Wheeler, easement	2.00
Morton S. Sweet, easement	1.00
Franklin Lbr. Co., mdse.	4.02
Harrison Square Co., mdse.	43.50
W. H. Chisolm, la- bor and material.	63.75
Central Iron Foun- dry Co.	12.00
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	18.15
Peck Coal Co., truck	455.00
W. K. Gilmore Sons Co., cement, etc..	171.02
Kingman Hdw. Co.	39.20
City of Woonsocket, water cart	12.00
George Crooks, posts	39.68
Jas. Wylie, gravel.	350.00
Blanchard Bros. Co., inlets	34.00
Franklin Petroleum Co.	190.35
M. W. Allen Cons. Co., stone	15.92
Percy Lloy, sand, etc.	656.75
Berger Mfg. Co., cul- verts	853.00

John F. Rooney & Co., drilling	40.60		
Jarvis Ice Co., fence wire	72.00		
George McQuesten, teaming	210.00		
W. F. Carberry & Son, stone	117.50		
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	4.43		
Medway Coal & Grain Co. pipe ..	360.40		
Edward S. Cook, posts	26.60		
New England Cul- vert Co., mdse...	277.65		
John F. Brogan, mo- tor requirements. .	165.90		
The White Co.	154.96		
Union Light & Power Co.	50.13	10,245.87	\$17,983.20

UNION STREET CEMETERY

Appropriated	\$200.00
Expended	199.75
Unexpended	\$0.25

Expenses

Franklin Cemetery Association	\$199.75	\$199.75
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MAIN STREET LAND DAMAGE

Jan. 1, 1927, balance	\$935.00	
Expended	875.00	
Unexpended	\$60.00	
Adelaide A. Russegue	\$352.40	
David Cohen & Samuel Bearse	5.29	
Transfer to 1926 Sidewalks, per order of Selectmen	492.31	
Leo Flax	25.00	\$875.00

WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Appropriated	\$250.00
Expended	\$0.00

GRAND ARMY HALL

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended	489.29
Unexpended	\$10.71

Expenses

Kingman Hardware Co.	\$0.95	
A. W. Robinson	85.00	
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	10.15	
Alonzo Greenwood	25.30	
John Murphy	367.89	\$489.29

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Appropriated	\$500.00
Expended	\$500.00
J. J. Van Vaulkenberg, survey,	\$500.00

BROOK STREET AND DANIELS STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated	\$375.00
Expended	\$0.00

J. G. RAY FIRE STATION

Appropriation	\$400.00	
Expended	348.00	
Unexpended	\$52.00	
American Metal Weather Strip Co.	\$348.00	\$348.00

CARE OF CEMETERIES

Balance from 1926	\$45.33
Lucretia Pond Fund	45.50
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	\$90.83
Expended	55.50
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Unexpended	\$35.33

Expenses

Franklin Cemetery Association	\$10.00	
August Ekstrom	29.00	
Albert Mann	16.50	\$55.50

CASH ACCOUNT

	Dr.	Cr.
Jan. 1, 1927, balance cash on hand,	\$30,560.85	
Taxes, current year	221,141.07	
Taxes, previous year	35,508.86	
Taxes, State	64,845.02	
Licenses and permits	296.00	
State Aid	354.00	\$312.00
Dog licenses	1,176.47	
King Street	12,000.00	17,983.20
Sewer assessments	71.00	4,757.98
Town Hall	377.00	647.70
Police	919.65	9,880.90
Fire	5.68	12,929.09
Forest Fire	385.50	1,108.21
Health	447.99	2,755.48
Weights and Measures	22.04	350.00
Public Welfare	6,956.10	23,800.50
Schools	5,885.23	124,166.21
Highways	2.00	29,988.05
Sidewalks	1,930.19	1,950.00
Notes, Anticipation	300,000.00	270,000.00
Town property	1,245.00	
Interest	2,056.97	
Water Dept.	39,702.74	38,308.85
Miscellaneous	5,277.88	
Selectmen		1,488.98

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Auditor	327.82
Treasurer	1,353.45
Tax Collector	2,446.61
Assessors	2,349.97
Town Clerk	566.90
Elections	398.25
Legal	89.00
Finance	32.00
Gypsy Moth	1,560.97
Shade Trees	725.35
Inspection Children	500.00
Inspection Animals	200.00
Street Lights	10,863.74
Tarvia	12,943.39
Soldiers' Relief	533.74
Library	1,500.00
Commons	350.00
Memorial Day	300.00
Town Reports	487.20
Interest	20,114.51
East Central St., land damage....	4,348.00
Union Street Cemetery	199.75
Main Street land damage	382.69
Repairs G. A. R. Hall	489.29
Water and Sewer Commissioners,	500.00
J. G. Ray Fire Station	348.00
Care of Cemeteries	55.50
Water Bonds	14,000.00
Water Bonds, interest	5,340.00
School Bonds	22,000.00
Sewer Bonds	5,000.00
High School Notes	1,000.00
State Tax	16,440.00
State Highway Tax	2,719.49
County of Norfolk, tax	13,710.39
County of Norfolk, special tax ...	2,272.44
Corporation Tax	170.52
Profit and loss	4.00
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	\$687,050.12
Dec. 31, 1926, balance cash on hand,	44,117.12
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	\$731,167.24 \$731,167.24

DEPARTMENTAL ANALYSIS

Dept.	Appropriated	Expended	Unex.	Over- draft
Selectmen	\$1,500.00	\$1,488.98	\$11.02	
Auditor	350.00	327.82	22.18	
Treasurer	1,350.00	1,353.45		\$3.45
Tax Collector	2,300.00	2,446.61		146.61
Assessors	2,350.00	2,349.97	.03	
Town Clerk	550.00	566.90		16.90
Elections	400.00	398.25	1.75	
Town Hall	800.00	647.70	152.30	
Legal	500.00	89.00	411.00	
Finance	50.00	32.00	18.00	
Police	8,900.00	9,880.90		980.90
Fire	13,000.00	12,929.09	70.91	
Forest Fire	1,200.00	1,108.21	91.79	
Weights and Measures	350.00	350.00		
Gypsy Moth	1,500.00	1,560.97		60.97
Shade Trees	800.00	725.35	74.65	
Board of Health	2,800.00	2,755.48	44.52	
Inspection				
Children	500.00	500.00		
Inspection				
Animals	200.00	200.00		
Water Dept.	62,472.21	57,648.85	4,823.36	
Sewers	5,187.60	4,757.98	429.62	
Roads	30,000.00	29,988.05	11.95	
Street Lights	11,000.00	10,863.74	136.26	
Sidewalks	1,000.00	1,950.00		950.00
Tarvia	13,000.00	12,943.39	56.61	
Welfare	24,000.00	23,800.50	199.50	
State Aid	354.00	689.50		335.50
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00	533.74	466.26	
Schools	124,176.47	124,166.21	10.26	
Library	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Commons	350.00	350.00		
Memorial Day	300.00	300.00		
Town Reports	487.50	487.20	.30	
Interest	25,340.00	25,454.51		114.51
East Central				
land damage	4,623.75	4,348.00	275.75	
King Street	18,000.00	17,983.20	16.80	

Dept.	Appropriated	Expended	Unex.
Union Street Cemetery	200.00	199.75	.25
Main Street land damage	935.00	875.00	60.00
War Memorial Committee	250.00		250.00
Repairs G. A. R. Hall	500.00	489.29	10.71
Water and Sewer Com.	500.00	500.00	
Brook and Daniels Lights	375.00		
J. G. Ray Fire Station	400.00	348.00	52.00
Care of Cemeteries	90.83	55.50	35.33

A. SCHUYLER CLAPP, TREASURER
In Account With the Town of Franklin, Mass.

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

1926 Tax, less abatements....	\$35,508.86	
1927 Tax, less abatements ...	221,141.07	
Income Tax	34,406.72	
Corporation Tax	29,356.31	
Bank Tax	1,064.93	
Trust Companies Tax	17.06	
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		\$321,494.95

General Government:

Town Hall	\$377.00	377.00
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Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$919.65	
Fire Department	5.68	
Forest Fire Department	385.50	
Weights and Measures	22.04	
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		1,332.87

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health.....	\$447.99	
Sewer Assessment	71.00	
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		518.99

Highways:

Road Department	\$2.00	
King and Washington Sts. ..	12,000.00	
Sidewalks	1,930.19	
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		13,932.19

Charities:

Poor Department	\$6,956.10	6,956.10
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Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid	\$354.00	354.00
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Education:

Dog Licenses	\$1,176.47	
School Department	5,885.23	
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		7,061.70

Water:

Collections	\$39,702.74	39,702.74
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Interest:

Collections	\$1,675.92	
War Surplus Bonus Fund, interest on deposit	162.56	
A. B. Fletcher Improvement Fund, interest on deposit ..	172.99	
	<hr/>	\$2,011.47

Municipal Indebtedness

Revenue Notes	\$300,000.00	300,000.00
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Cemeteries:

Income	\$45.50	45.50
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Unclassified:

A. B. Fletcher Improvement Fund	\$5,198.71	
Excess and Deficiency	296.00	
Profit and Loss	79.17	
Town Property Sold	1,245.00	
	<hr/>	6,818.88

Cash on hand, January 1, 1927 ..		\$700,606.39
		30,560.85
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		\$731,167.24

Transfers:

To payment of Bonds from Water Department	\$14,000.00
To payment of Interest from Water Department	5,340.00
To 1926 Sidewalk account from Main St. land damage,	492.31
To Cemeteries from Lucretia Pond Fund	45.50
To 1926 Tax from 1926 Overlay	578.70
To 1927 Tax from 1927 Overlay	210.73
To Excess and Deficiency, receipts	19,852.30

To Excess and Deficiency, un- expended balances	1,848.07	
To Accounts Overdrawn from Excess and Deficiency	2,273.34	
	<hr/>	\$44,640.95

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Selectmen	\$1,488.98	
Auditor	327.82	
Treasurer	1,353.45	
Collector of Taxes	2,446.61	
Assessors of Taxes	2,349.97	
Town Clerk	566.90	
Elections and Registrations ..	398.25	
Town Hall	647.70	
Legal Department	89.00	
Finance Account	32.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,700.68

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$9,880.90	
Fire Department	12,929.09	
Forest Fire Department	1,108.21	
Weights and Measures	350.00	
Gypsy Moths	1,560.97	
Shade Trees	725.35	
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Health and Sanitation:

Board of Health	\$2,755.48	
Inspection of Children	500.00	
Inspection of Animals	200.00	
Sewers and Sewer Beds	4,757.98	
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Highways:

Road Department	\$29,988.05	
Street Lights	10,863.74	
Sidewalks	1,950.00	
Tarvia	12,943.39	
King and Washington Sts. ..	17,983.20	

Main St., land damage.....	382.69	
East Central Street land damage	4,348.00	
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Charities:		
Poor Department	\$23,800.50	23,800.50
Soldiers' Benefits:		
State Aid	\$312.00	
Soldiers' Relief	533.74	
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Education:		
School Department	124,166.21	124,166.21
Recreation:		
Care of Common	\$350.00	350.00
Miscellanies:		
Profit and Loss	\$4.00	
Library	1,500.00	
Memorial Day	300.00	
Town Reports	487.20	
Cemeteries	55.50	
Union Street Cemetery	199.75	
G. A. R. Hall repairs	489.29	
East Central Street Sewer ...	500.00	
Metal Weather Strips for Engine House	348.00	
	<hr/>	3,883.74
Interest:		
Payments	\$25,454.51	25,454.51
Municipal Indebtedness:		
Water Bonds	\$14,000.00	
School Bonds	22,000.00	
Sewer Bonds	5,000.00	
High School Notes	1,000.00	
Revenue Notes	270,000.00	
	<hr/>	312,000.00
Water Department:		
Maintenance and Operation ..	\$38,308.85	38,308.85

Agencies:

State Tax	\$16,440.00	
State Highway Tax	2,719.49	
County Tax	13,710.39	
Special County Tax	2,272.44	
Corporation Tax	170.52	
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		35,312.84
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		\$687,050.12
Cash on hand December 31, 1927,		44,117.12
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		\$731,167.24

Transfers:

Water Department to Bonds.	\$14,000.00	
Water Department to interest,	5,340.00	
Main Street Land Damage to		
Sidewalks	492.31	
Lucretia Pond Fund to Ceme-		
teries	45.50	
1926 Overlay to 1926 Taxes..	578.70	
1927 Overlay to 1927 Taxes..	210.73	
Receipts to Excess and Defi-		
ciency	19,852.30	
Unexpended Balances to Ex-		
cess and Deficiency	1,848.07	
Excess and Deficiency to Ac-		
counts Overdrawn	2,273.34	
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		\$44,640.95

TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1927

Assets

Cash	\$44,117.12
State Aid	335.50
1927 Tax	41,012.02
Sewer Assessment	413.20
1926 Overlay	140.56
Benjamin Franklin Savings	
Bank	1,000.00

School Houses, Assessors' Valuation	200,000.00	
Water Works, Assessors' Valuation	200,000.00	
Sewer System, Assessors' Valuation	7,000.00	
Town Farm, Assessors' Valuation	7,000.00	
Parks, Assessors' Valuation ...	6,000.00	
Fire Department, Assessors' Valuation	41,500.00	
Town Hall, Assessors' Valuation	8,000.00	
G. A. R. Hall, Assessors' Valuation	2,000.00	
Road Department, Assessors' Valuation	9,000.00	
Surplus	291,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$858,518.40

Liabilities

Water Department	\$4,823.36	
Sewer Department	429.62	
Hayward Field	8.00	
High School Notes	2,000.00	
Water Bonds	123,000.00	
School Bonds	258,000.00	
Sewer Bonds	57,000.00	
Cemeteries	35.33	
Lucretia Pond Fund	1,000.00	
1925 Overlay	229.38	
1927 Overlay	1,326.32	
Profit and Loss	278,417.47	
Excess and Deficiency	26,903.57	
Anticipation Notes	90,000.00	
Lincoln St. Land Damage	431.39	
Sewer Bond Redemption Fund ..	3,751.20	
East Central St. Land Damage ..	275.75	
New High School Building	48.65	
War Surplus Bonus Fund	3,735.35	
Main Street Land Damage	60.00	
A. B. Fletcher Improvement Fund	7,032.30	
G. A. R. Hall Repairs	10.71	
	<hr/>	\$858,518.40

Funded Debt and Interest Payable During the Year 1928

			Principal	Interest
February 1				
Water Bond Interest	\$11,000.00	4½%		\$247.50
Sewer Bond Interest	24,000.00	4 %		480.00
School Bond Interest	10,000.00	4½%		225.00
March 1				
School Note Interest	2,000.00	4½%		45.00
Water Bond Interest	16,000.00	4 %		320.00
May 1				
Sewer Bond Interest	33,000.00	4 %		660.00
School Bonds #40-#52 incl.			\$13,000.00	
School Bond Interest	214,000.00	4¼%		4,547.50
June 1				
Water Bonds #113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 194, 225, 226			10,000.00	
Water Bond Interest	96,000.00	4 %		1,920.00
School Bonds #5, 6			2,000.00	
School Bond Interest	34,000.00	4 %		680.00
August 1				
Water Bond #265			1,000.00	

August 1

			Principal	Interest
Sewer Bonds #27, 28			2,000.00	
School Bonds #41, 42, 43, 44, 45			5,000.00	
Water Bond Interest	11,000.00	4½%		247.50
Sewer Bond Interest	24,000.00	4 %		480.00
School Bond Interest	10,000.00	4½%		225.00

September 1

School Note #60			1,000.00	
School Note Interest	2,000.00	4½%		45.00
Water Bonds #285, 286, 287			3,000.00	
Water Bond Interest	16,000.00	4 %		320.00

November 1

Sewer Bonds #43, 44, 45			3,000.00	
Sewer Bond Interest	33,000.00	4 %		660.00
School Bond Interest	201,000.00	4¼%		4,271.25

December 1

Water Bond Interest	86,000.00	4 %		1,720.00
School Bond Interest	32,000.00	4 %		640.00

\$40,000.00 \$17,733.75

A. SCHUYLER CLAPP,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have the honor to submit the following report of the Highway Department for the year ending December 31, 1927.

Maintenance of Streets

The usual amount of resurfacing and repairing has been done on the roads this year. In the spring all outside roads were scraped and cleaned, waterways opened and put in good condition for the year.

Total cost for gasoline, oil and labor (\$1,000.00) one thousand dollars.

Maintenance of Sidewalks and Curbing

Several new sidewalks were built of cement concrete, this work being let out to contract to the lowest bidder on concrete work, the same being Raymond Bergeson of Woonsocket, R. I.

The itemized account can be seen in the Auditor's report.

Snow and Ice

The organization for this work consists of four horses, two trucks and a tractor which are hired, and our own truck and tractor with plows. A good sized force of men were on constantly during snow storms.

The four sidewalk plows cover approximately 28 miles on one trip.

The trucks with plows covered eight miles of trunk lines here, plus all streets with hard surface.

This year the trucks and plows were run through all country roads, about 20 cubic yards of sand was used for sidewalks and 30 cubic yards of sand for highways. Total cost \$3,387.95.

Maintenance of Hard Surfaced Streets

Tarvia B was applied on all streets where it was needed. All holes and shoulders were repaired before applying Tarvia.

Barrett Tarvia	\$8723.79
Natick Road Oil and Tar.....	1,488.23
Standard Oil	472.20
Sand and trucks	1,567.63
Labor	691.29

New Construction

Summer Street—Distance two (2) miles:

Labor, truck and scraper	\$600.00
Roller	75.00
Oil and tarvia	595.75

West Central Street:

Labor and trucks	\$500.00
Roller	75.00
Stone	300.00
Tarvia B, 3 loads	405.00

Park Road:

Labor	\$50.00
Roller	15.00
Tarvia, 1¼ loads	175.00

Oak Street, from Reilly residence to Isaac La Fleur residence; distance of 5,280 feet:

Reshaping and hauling gravel	\$300.00
Roller	75.00
Tarvia	405.00

Pond Street, from West Medway line to Plain Street, distance of 2,100 feet:

Reshaping and hauling gravel	\$50.00
Roller	25.00
2 loads Tarvia	297.00

Maple Street, from Brick School to Harvey Residence:

Reshaping and rolling	\$75.00
Tarvia, 600 gallons	81.00

From Harvey residence to Barnard residence:

Scraped, graveled and rolled	200.00
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Grove Street:	
Reshaped and rolled	\$50.00
Roller	15.00
Tarvia, 1½ loads	198.00
Dean Avenue widening:	
Labor, stone and tarvia	\$100.00
Roller	10.00
Pleasant Street:	
Labor	\$400.00
Stone	300.00
Roller	50.00
Tarvia, two coats	540.00
North Park Street:	
Labor	\$300.00
Shovel	150.00
Gravel	30.00
Roller	25.00
Tarvia	135.00
Geb Street:	
Labor and gravel	\$325.00
Tarvia	13.00
Roller	25.00
Team	10.00
Union Street, from R. R. crossing to West Central St.:	
Reshaping and hauling gravel	\$75.00
Tarvia	370.00
Chapman Drain:	
Labor	\$175.00
Morse Opera House drain	20.00
Alpine Place Drain:	
Labor and grates	250.00
Cleaning drains with shovel and men	350.00
(Three hundred and fifty dollars)	
Crescent Street:	
Stone	800.00
Pipe	600.00
Labor on drains, building man-holes and excavating	700.00

Grates	50.00
Labor spreading stone, sand and pea stone	250.00
Tarvia X, 4,000 gallons	540.00
Seal Coat Tarvia A, 2,000 gallons	270.00
Maintenance of Dump and Cleaning Main St.	800.00
General Maintenance of washouts	531.28
Cold patching	500.00
Stock	600.00
Cutting brush on country roads	300.00
King and Washington Streets:	
Appropriated	\$6,000.00
State of Massachusetts	6,000.00
County of Norfolk	6,000.00
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	\$18,000.00
Expended	\$17,983.00
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Unexpended	\$16.80
Labor:	
Pay rolls and individuals	\$6,756.55
Tarvia:	
The Barrett Co.	980.78
Miscellaneous:	
Edward Boulanger, posts	27.15
Frank Toner, truck	743.75
H. H. Riley Coal Co., trucks	513.00
Thomas Sullivan, labor	91.20
Harris Garage, motor requirements	187.53
John Rollinson & Co., motor requirements	131.60
Washburn, Sheridan Co., steam shovel..	4,110.13
W. B. Wheeler, easement	2.00
Morton Sweet, easement	1.00
Franklin Lbr. Co., mdse.	4.02
Harrison Square Co., mdse.	43.50
W. H. Chisolm, labor and material.....	63.75
Central Iron Foundry Co.	12.00
A. J. Cataldo & Sons	18.15
Peck Coal Co., truck	455.00

W. K. Gilmore Sons Co., cement, etc....	171.02
Kingman Hardware Co.	39.20
City of Woonsocket, water cart	12.00
George Crooks, posts	39.68
James Wylie, gravel	350.00
Blanchard Bros. Co., inlets	34.00
Franklin Petroleum Co.	190.35
M. W. Allen Cons. Co., stone	15.92
Percy Lloy, sand, etc.....	656.75
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts	853.00
John Rooney & Co., drilling	40.60
Jarvis Ice Co., fence wire	72.00
George McQuesten, teaming	210.00
W. F. Carberry & Son, stone	117.50
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	4.43
Medway Coal & Grain Co., pipe.....	360.40
Edward Cook, posts	26.60
New England Culvert Co., mdse.	277.65
John Brogan, motor requirements	165.90
The White Co.	154.96
Union Light & Power Co.	50.13

\$17,983.20

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. ROBINSON,

Superintendent of Streets,

Franklin, Mass.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

In Account with 1926 Taxes

Uncollected balance Jan. 1, 1927	\$36,087.56	
Interest charged	1,017.93	
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		\$37,105.49
Collected and paid to Treasurer		
Poll taxes	\$	28.00
Personal estate taxes		4,749.38

Real estate taxes	30,731.48	
	<u>\$35,508.86</u>	
Abatements	578.70	
	<u>\$36,087.56</u>	
Interest charged	1,017.93	
	<u>\$37,105.49</u>	
CLARA E. MARTIN,		
Collector of Taxes.		

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES
In Account with 1927 Taxes

Assessors' warrant, May 2, 1927	\$ 4,188.00	
Assessors' warrant, Aug. 17, 1927	258,112.66	
Assessors' warrant, Dec. 10, 1927	63.16	
	<u>\$262,363.82</u>	
Interest charged	166.62	
	<u>\$262,530.44</u>	
Collected and paid to Treasurer		
Poll taxes	\$ 4,024.00	
Personal estate taxes	43,760.51	
Real estate taxes	173,356.56	
	<u>\$221,141.07</u>	
Abatements	210.73	
	<u>\$221,351.80</u>	
Interest collected	166.62	
	<u>\$221,518.42</u>	
Uncollected balance, Dec. 31, 1927	\$41,012.02	
CLARA E. MARTIN,		
Collector of Taxes.		

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES
In Account with Sewer Assessment

Uncollected balance Jan. 1, 1927	\$584.20	
Interest charged	9.58	
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		\$593.78
Collected and paid Treasurer		
Sewer assessments	\$ 71.00	
Interest collected	9.58	
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		\$ 80.58
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Uncollected balance Dec. 31, 1927		\$513.20

CLARA E. MARTIN,
Collector of Taxes.

LIST OF JURORS FOR THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN

January 27th, 1928.

Allen, John J., Railroad	24 Hayward street
Bassett, Edward E., Mill	154 East Central street
Beaudette, Paul, Mill	226 West Central street
Blanchard, James N. Jr., Clerk	30 Garfield street
Blunsden, Arthur F., Mill	74 Cottage street
Brown, William O., Teamster	16 A street
Buckley, William F., Railroad	192 School street
Burke, Charles E., Salesman	96 Peck street
Burns, Ulysses L., Agent	119 Alpine street
Callahan, Bernard F., Mill	88 Alpine street
Carr, Walter F., Mill	132 East Central street
Cataldo, William F., Clerk	34 Worsted street
Chilson, Stanley G., Draftsman	84 Dean avenue
Cochrane, George H., Superintendent	491 West Central street
Cody, Bartholomew, Clerk	70 West street
Cody, William J., Chauffeur	6 Emmons street
Conroy, John F., Salesman	71 Cross street
Cook, H. Joseph, Draftsman	25 Corbin street
Cook, Ralph W., Farmer	664 East Central street
Coughlin, William J., Mill	58 Washington street
Coulter, James E., Mill	88 West street
Crowley, Cornelius B., Salesman	35 East Central street
Daly, John F., Mill	100 Union street
Dana, George W., Agent	20 Crescent street
Dauphinee, Clarence, Mill	36 Cross street
Davis, Arthur J., Carpenter	35 Milliken avenue
DeBaggis, Elmiro, Clerk	39 McCarthy street
DeBaggis, Romalo, Mill	43 Alpine place
Defren, Henry, Laborer	458 West Central street
DeGregario, Thomas, Laborer	39 Alpine place
DeLucchi, Joseph, Mill	414 East Central street
Doherty, Edward J., Clerk	311 Main street
Feeley, Charles E., Mill	17 Depot street
French, Robert F., Mill	Lincoln street
Geb, Harry J., Mill	239 Main street
Granger, Albert F., Clerk	229 Chestnut street
Hancock, Walter L., Salesman	59 Cottage street

Hannon, Henry, Mill	54 Summer street
Hawkins, Harold L., Mill	51 Fales street
Healey, John B., Mill	92 Crescent street
Heywood, Arthur, Clerk	32 Dale street
Heywood, Byron H., Dyer	Cottage street
Hill, Arthur W., Railroad	19 Cottage street
Hutchinson, Percy H., Machinist	25 Chestnut street
Jeffers, Merton A., Salesman	51 Crescent street
Keefe, John J., Bookkeeper	121 Cottage street
Kilmain, John F., Nurseryman	West Central street
Landry, Leon J., Merchant	122 East Central street
Laundre, Frank, Mason	38 A street
Laundry, Albert, Mason	163 East Central street
Loose, Paul F., Carpenter	258 Lincoln street
Loucks, Bernard T., Clerk	30 Marvin avenue
MacIvor, Archibald, Carpenter	22 Emmons street
Morrissey, Owen H.,	14 Emmons street
Parker, Clark W., Machinist	440 East Central street
Peck, William L., Clerk	West Central street
Peterson, Carl, Moulder	27 Corbin street
Peterson, Raymond N., Bookkeeper	74 Crescent street
Pond, Connor J., Salesman	149 Alpine street
Robinson, Earl P., Machinist	2 High street
Scott, Charles H., Clerk	108 Cottage street
Shea, Daniel F., Mill	64 Dean avenue
Simon, Maurice, Dealer	298 Main street
Slotnick, Eli, Dealer	Elm street
Stewart, Harold D., Salesman	21 East Central street
Stewart, William J., Chauffeur	35 East street
Supple, James A., Mechanic	33 Dean avenue
Swanbeck, Wallace G., Mill	46 East street
Sylvester, Leo J., Dealer	55 Arlington street
Vendetti, Louis, Mill	48 Washington street
Verschoor, Martin, Jr., Machinist	83 Crescent street
Walsh, Frank E., Merchant	55 Dean avenue
Westman, Edward L., Mill	169 West Central street
Willard, Albert R., Bookkeeper	19 Crescent street
Wilson, Aldace E., Poultry Farmer	437 King street
Wood, Ernest P., Gardener	293 East Central street
Yankee, Herman, Machinist	39 East street

RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK,

January 27, 1928.

Selectmen of Franklin.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

February 14th, 1928.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,
in the County of Norfolk,

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the qualified voters of the said Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday the Fourteenth day of February, A. D. 1928, it being the second Tuesday in said February, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:—

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following Town Officers, viz:—A Moderator, three Selectmen, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, an Auditor, three Overseers of the Poor, a Tree Warden, three Constables, all for the term of one year; one Assessor of Taxes for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for the term of three years, one member of the School Committee for the term of three years, one member of the Water and Sewer Commissioners for the term of three years, and two members of the Town Planning Board for the term of three years.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning January 1st, 1928, in anticipation of the revenue for said year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving a note or notes in the name of the Town.

Article 4. To hear a report of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote the receipts of the different departments during the year 1927, and now in the Treasury, for use during the year 1928, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for the following purposes, to wit:

1. For General Government, including the compensation and expenses of the Selectmen, Auditor, Collector of Taxes, Assessors of Taxes, Town Clerk, also for Elections and Registrations, Town Hall and other Finance Accounts.
2. For Protection of Persons and Property, including the Payment of Police and Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, Support of the Fire Department, Sealing of Weights and Measures, Extermination of Elm Beetles and Gypsy Moths, Trimming of Shade Trees, and Forest Fires.
3. For Health and Sanitation, including expenses of the Board of Health, inspection of School Children, inspection of Animals, inspection of Meats and Provisions, construction and maintenance of Sewers and Sewer Beds.
4. For Highways and Bridges, including construction and repair of Roads, Bridges, Street Lighting, Street Sprinkling, and all other highway expenses.
5. For Public Charities, including compensation and expenses of the Overseers of the Poor, expenses at the Almshouse, for aid to Outside Poor.
6. For Soldiers' Benefits, including State Aid, Soldiers' Relief and Soldiers' Burials.
7. For Education, including all the expenses of the School Committee.
8. For the Franklin Public Library.

9. For the Improvement of the Commons.
10. For Unclassified Accounts, including the Decoration of Soldiers' Graves, Printing of the Town Report.
11. For the Maintenance and Operation of the Water Department, including the compensation of the Water Commissioners,
12. For the Payment of Interest on Town Debts.
13. For the Payment of Municipal Indebtedness.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the uses of the Assessors in reducing the tax rate of the current year, such sums as are available from the Excess and Deficiency Account or Free Cash, said use of money to be deferred until after August 1st, 1928, that interest charge on temporary loans may be reduced.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town the ensuing year.

Article 9. To hear a Report on Guide Boards from the Selectmen and act thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License money received for the present year, for the Support of Schools or for the Public Library.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to use the interest of the Lucretia Pond Fund not otherwise provided for, for the care of Town Cemeteries, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. for the care and improvement of the Union Street Cemetery, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 13. To see what action the Town will take relative to joining with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and the Norfolk County Commissioners in the repair and improvement of King and Washington Streets; appropriate and raise the sum of \$7000, therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000. to be expended by the Selectmen in the construction of granolithic sidewalks, in whole or in part as abutters may contribute a like amount, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1463.90 to balance the accounts overdrawn as follows: — Treasurer, \$3.45; Collector of Taxes, \$146.61; Town Clerk, \$16.90; Police Department, \$980.90; Gypsy Moth, \$60.97; Interest, \$114.51; 1926 Overlay Account, \$140.56.

Article 16. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the drainage of the surface water collecting on the easterly end of Cottage Street, on Central Street between said Cottage Street and Summer Street, and the junction of the last two streets.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to elect its Selectmen at the annual Town Meeting for 1929 in the following manner, viz: — One for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years, and at each annual Town Meeting thereafter one Selectman for the term of three years.

Article 18. To hear a report from the Water and Sewer Commissioners regarding extensions to the sewer system, act thereon, and appropriate money therefor or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise money for the purpose of improving its water system by constructing a standpipe or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will ratify the sale, by the Water and Sewer Commissioners, of a part of the land in the water tank lot to Francis H. Appleton, Jr., and Carrie G. Appleton.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize the sale of a part of the water tank lot to William S. Goodwin.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to see that all Town records are returned forthwith to the Selectmen's rooms and kept therein, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct all elected officers to conduct all Town affairs and keep all Town records in the two rooms now used as the Selectmen's rooms, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road leading from Corbett's Corner to Bellingham Town Line now called the New road, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen and Town Clerk to print the vital statistics for 1926 and 1927 in the next printed annual Town reports, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend its bylaws to provide that no elected officer of the Town other than the Moderator shall serve on the Finance Committee, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5370. for the purpose of paying damages to abutters caused by the laying out and constructing the new State highway on West Central street, so called, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. for the purpose of improving Maple street from Main street to a point east of the Blake place, so as to straighten out land court takings, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000. to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, for the purpose of purchasing a new truck for the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 30. To see what action the Town will take relative to establishing the compensation of the members of the Fire Department, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will appoint a Committee to investigate the conditions of the Town Jail and report their findings and recommendations at the next annual Town meeting, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by inserting therein or adding thereto, a Curfew Law, so called, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Uncas avenue.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Farrington street.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Landry street.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Gallison street.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Highland street, from Main street to Oak street .

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Pearl street, as laid out by A. Schuyler Clapp and as shown on plan of said layout, dated September, 1921, appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Squire street from Lincoln street to residence of William Ellis.

Article 40. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient for the repair and rebuilding of the following roads: That section of Miller street beginning at Pleasant street and continuing to the corner formed by its junction with Daniels street; and Daniels street beginning at said corner and continuing northerly to its termination at Lincoln street; and the entire length of Brook street from its beginning at Lincoln street to its termination at Miller street.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1000, to be applied in making necessary

repairs to Prospect street, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain a certain number of street lights on Summer street from Crocker avenue to Birch street, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain 10 street lights on Bent street, Mechanic place and Fuller street.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain four 600-candle power electric lights on ornamental standards in Church square, or Frank J. Smith square, between Main street and Oak street, said standards and fixtures to be furnished and established and the present poles removed and the wires placed underground without expense to the Town, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain a certain number of street lights on King street, between Peck street and Union street, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain eight additional electric street lights on Maple street, extending the present line of lights to a point opposite the residence of Hubert H. Gates, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money to establish and maintain two incandescent lights on Squire street between Lincoln street and the residence of William Ellis, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to release to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a part of the land formerly occupied by the Unionville Fire Station.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of meeting as directed by the vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands this Twenty-sixth day of January, A. D. 1928.

RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK,
Selectmen of Franklin.

Franklin, Mass., February 1, 1928.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of February, A. D. 1928, at six o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the Post Offices of the Town and in ten other public places, in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON,
Constable of Franklin.

SELECTMEN'S ESTIMATE OF DEPARTMENT EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1928.

Selectmen	\$ 1,800.
Auditor	350.
Treasurer	1,650.
Collector of Taxes.....	2,450.
Assessors of Taxes.....	2,800.
Town Clerk	550.
Elections and Registrations.....	750.
Law	500.
Finance Accounts	50.
Town Hall	850.
Police	9,300.
Fire Department	8,500.
Fire Alarm System.....	11,500.
Weights and Measures.....	350.
Gypsy Moth	1,200.
Shade Trees	800.
Forest Fires	1,300.
Health	2,200.
Inspection of School Children.....	300.
Inspection of Animals.....	200.
Sewers and Sewer Beds.....	5,000.
Roads	30,000.
Street Lighting	11,000.
Sprinkling or Oiling.....	14,000.
Poor	23,800.
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.
Schools	127,250.
Library	1,500.
Commons	350.
Decoration Day	300.
Town Reports	600.
Water	8,815.
Celebration of Town's 150th Anniversary.....	500.
Town Debt	26,000.
Interest on Town Debts.....	20,000.

Respectfully submitted,
RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK,

Dated, January 26, 1928.

Selectmen of Franklin.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN FOR THE YEAR 1927.

	Date	Name of Child	Parents
Jan.	6	George Mucciarone	George and Rosie
"	7	Alfred Saster	Frank and Florence
"	8	Elizabeth May Wyllie	John W. and Eliza
"	9	Harry Lester Foster	Herman L. and Etta May
"	15	Querino Carlucci	Michael and Antonetta
"	20	Robert James Crevo	James and Inez
"	21	Pauline Rita Bisson	Camillo and Eva M.
"	23	Henry Walter Henley	Henry F. and Lillian
"	27	_____	_____
"	29	Harold Harper Richardson	Harry P. and Florence
"	31	Josephine Albina Fontana	Stephen and Mary
Feb.	5	Theresa Madelina Prioriello	Andrea and Octavia
"	7	Nancy Mae Mason	Charles M. and Mary E.
"	14	Ruth Frances Laundry	Walter F. and Lena
"	15	Walter Ernest Richardson	Walter and Viola
"	16	Evelyn Ann Masi	Ancillo and Mary
"	18	_____ Gilman	George U. and Laurel
"	19	Gloria Libra Fontaine	Matthew and Mary R.
"	20	Frances Ruby Green	William and Flora
"	20	Arthur Kempton Hilbert	Arthur G. and Miriam
"	23	Carl Erwin Bennett, Jr.	Carl E. and Myrtle
"	23	Lavorinella Maria Nardone	Alessandro and Mary
"	24	Daniel Henry Lyons	Harry R. and Margaret R.
"	24	Ernest Angelo Bussagli	Christopher and Susie
"	26	_____	_____
"	27	Albert Ralph Brunelli	Luigi and Vanesther
"	28	Donald Charles Frazer	John W. and Ruth E.
"	28	Marion Frances Woodward	Arthur C. and Frances
"	28	Henry Joseph Bartolomei	Frank and Lena
Mar.	5	Mary Patricia Anderson	Charles W. and Elizabeth
"	6	George Allen Brennan	William and Louise
"	8	Norman Robert Dauphinee	Clarence and Mary E.
"	10	Marie Stella Lydia O'Connor	John T. and Stella V.
"	11	Dorothy Joan Ober	Albert and Catherine
"	11	James Joseph Morrissey	James P. and Anna V.
"	12	Ernesto Palmerino Tucci	Stephen and Jennie
"	15	Umberto Raffaele De Napoli	Antonio and Clementina
"	19	John Swanbeck Hodges	Clark R. and Helen J.

Mar.	19	Richard Clark Hodges	Clark R. and Helen J.
"	19	Richard Clark Hodges	Clark R. and Helen J.
"	20	Clara Carmela DeGregorio	Thomas and Carmella
"	29	Edmund Francis Darling, Jr.	Edmund F. and Florence L.
Apr.	1	Elinor Mabel Johnson	Oscar and Mabel A.
"	4	Rose Lucy Nasuti	Joseph and Artemizia
"	9	Regina Elizabeth Guertin	Joseph and Eva
"	12	William James Piere	William and Myra
"	13	John Foley	John and Mary E.
"	14	Donald Gustave Swanbeck	Carl F. and Georgette V.
"	16	Marie Eleanor Palladini	Lawrence and Matilda
"	17	Edward William Murray, Jr.	Edward W. and Annie E.
"	19	Dorothea Demetrius Kehayas	Demetrius and Despiña
"	23	_____	
"	26	Donald Edgar Cook	Fred L. and Edith
"	29	John Gerald Johnson	Cornelius and Nora
"	30	_____	
"	30	Floyd Vernon Heno	Arthur and Edwina
May	1	Marjorie Mae Wood	Mayo E. and Marguerite A.
"	2	Gregory Varjian	Archie and Nina
"	2	John William Beaton	John W. and Margaret B.
"	2	Joan Elizabeth Burke	William J. and Lillian B.
"	2	Norman Slutzker	Harry and Etta
"	15	Mabel Isabelle Heno	Emery and Ida
"	15	Daniel Donald D'Amico	Daniel and Vivian M.
"	15	Theresa Marie Brochu	Alfred A. and Marie L.
"	17	Frank Marland Buckley	Frank M. and Sarah B.
"	17	Burton Gillman Henry	Frederick M. and Jessie E.
"	19	_____	
"	25	Lorraine Stewart	Clarence H. and Arline W.
"	25	_____	
June	4	Raymond John Berghelli	Tony and Jennie
"	9	Fred John Pecci	Martin and Bichetta
"	9	Michele William Dangelo	Peter and Dominica
"	10	_____ Kell	Archibald and Inez
"	11	Norman Ellsworth Post, Jr.	Norman and Lillian
"	12	Tony Vitocio Veneziano	John and Leonzia
"	13	Madeline Helen Demarzi	Joseph and Angelina
"	14	Henry Anedis Eknian	Jacob and Sarah
"	15	Nicola Pasquale De Lucia	Antonio and Nicolina
"	16	Dante Robert Acorsi	Robert and Primera
"	18	Albert John Bassignani	Enrico and Isolina
"	19	Marion Pauline Talamini	Antonio and Josephine
"	23	Harmand Roger Thibodeau	Arthur and Olivine

	Date	Name of Child	Parents
June	24	Lucia Grovanna Verna	Nicholas and Antonetta
"	27	William Edward Cudd	Sim F. and Sadie
"	29	_____	
"	29	Alfred Junior Palladini	John and Alice
July	1	Dorothy Fay Kaufmann	John F. and Nellie M.
"	11	Bernice Ann MacKenzie	Charles and Lillian
"	11	Celestine Catherine Perkins	Clayton R. and Grace M.
"	18	Paul Leo Landry	Joseph E. and Florence E.
"	20	Phyllis Elizabeth Girard	George H. and Helen
"	23	Joan Patricia Cataldo	Joseph and Eileen
"	23	Lena Recchia	Carminc and Filomena
"	23	Elizabeth Recchia	Carminc and Filomena
"	27	Arline Sullivan	John T. and Aldea
Aug.	2	Thelma Louise Landry	E. J. Edward and Florence
"	3	Everett James Pettit, Jr.	Everett J. and Rose M.
"	6	_____	
"	9	Clifford Leroy VanKenren	Donald L. and Beatrice B.
"	12	Bella Mary Thibeault	Peter and Flora
"	13	Eleanor Mickealini DeBaggis	Romalo and Eva
"	19	Giuseppe Michelo Bonifazi	Angelo and Josephine
"	28	Robert Carl Yankee	Herman C. and M. Hazel
"	28	Jolando Teresa Gazzola	Galliano and Emma
"	31	Shirley Louise Healey	John B. and Esther M.
Sept.	1	Virgina Mae Yankee	Otto A. and Vera M.
"	1	Alden Raymond Mucciarone	Fred and Rose
"	2	Rosa Barbara Bartolmei	Natale and Celide
"	6	Anthony John Turco	Antonio and Elvena
"	6	Anita Marie Guinard	Wilfred and Alice
"	7	Judith Chapman	Donald B. and Margaret
"	9	_____	
"	10	Lawrence Nicholas Martello	Nicholas and Teresa
"	18	Brenda Lee Buchanan	Martin L. and Grace L.
"	19	_____	
"	24	John Henry Towne	Lyman F. and Louise
Oct.	2	_____	
"	5	Joseph Albert Roland Rivard	Joseph E. and Antoinette
"	8	Donald Irving Pidgeon	George H. and Matilda E.
"	12	Blanche Marguerite Poirier	Philibert and Diana
"	14	Robert Anthony Geromini	Anthony F. and Theresa M.
"	20	Joseph Lewis Porter	Richard D. and Mary L.
"	20	Barbara Loisa Margeson	Carl E. and Christine
"	21	Aldora Nasuti	Sabatino and Mary
"	31	Louis N. C. Catro	Nicholas and Mary
Nov.	1	Josephine Santina Rosetti	Follicardo and Grace

	Date	Name of Child	Parents
Nov.	3	Antonio Vignone	Serafino and Margaret
"	7	Julia Mildred Zwickert	Max R. and Dorothy
"	11	James Dominick Stanisica	Camillo and Dora
"	14	Loretta Carmela Mucciarone	Camillo and Mary
"	15	Elie Bernard Joseph Bracelet	Louis T. and Philomena A.
"	19	George Harold Taylor	George T. and Freida B.
"	20	—————Crosti	Joseph and Margaret
"	20	—————	
"	22	Guisseppi Cecilio Michele D'Erico	Roco and Alexandria
"	22	David Brooks Newcomb	William O. and Susie
"	25	Maria Anna Pasquina	Michael and Annie
"	25	Edward John Clark	John T. and Threase
"	27	Donald Winfred Barnes	Harold and Dorothy
Dec.	2	Marie Lucile Rea Bouleau	Ernest and Marie
"	2	James Peel Hutchinson	Percy H. and Helen M.
"	3	Dikran Richard Apalakian	Senekern and Yhgsapat
"	5	Barbara Ann Enegren	Edbury R. and Sarah A.
"	9	Annie Barbara Martello	Angelo and Julia
"	10	Mary Agnes Boulten	Reeve and Mary
"	12	Vincent Tersa Geromini	Lino and Teresa
"	16	Ernest Joseph Bourbeau, Jr.	Ernest J. and Florence
"	21	Herbert George Crawford	James H. and Frances T.
"	21	Elena Theresa Dell'Orco	Dominick and Angela
"	30	Charles Douglas McCormack	Douglas and Mary

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN FOR THE YEAR 1927

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
Jan. 8	Alfred Bodreau	Franklin	
"	Olive Lambert	Worcester	Albert F. Beaudry
"	Everett B. Lowell	Providence R. I.	
"	Mildred R. Barber	Franklin	Rev. Arthur W. Dycer
17	Arnold W. Thompson	"	
"	Catherine Kell	"	Rev. Earle M. Hand
23	Ralph Davis	"	
"	Gertrude D. Wembaum	Allston	B. H. Burnbaum
24	Frederick M. Wright	North Attleboro	
Feb. 18	Margaret C. O'Donnell	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Edwin S. Evans	"	
"	Ruth Searson	Walpole	Rev. G. H. Cummings
21	Adam Kobylarz	Woonsocket	
Mar. 1	Mary Ann Bis	Bellingham	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Joseph G. Ray	Franklin	
"	Bessie H. Kent	Holbrook	Rev. C. M. Temple
"	Herman L. Foster	Franklin	
28	Etta May Draper	"	Rev. E. Dean Ellwood
"	Harry M. Boone	Bellingham	
Apr. 2	Dorothy L. Mellor	Franklin	Rev. Charles F. Westman
"	E. Stanley Murray	"	
"	Jane F. M. Stedman	Medway	Rev. Arthur Wright

1927	Name
Apr. 18	William B. Brennan
"	Letitia M. Farrell
"	Francis A. Laundre
"	Noella Landry
"	Daniel A. M. D'Amico
"	Vivian M. St. John
"	John J. Buchanio
"	Josephine C. DeSantis
"	Henry A. Darling
"	Mary A. Morris
"	John R. Henderson
"	Dorothy A. Briggs
May 22	Bernard L. R. Dauphinee
"	Carrie F. McGourty
June 5	Philip Rago
"	Santina Lombardi
"	Harvey A. White
"	Mary L. Dunton
"	Paul F. K. Farrell
"	Mary J. Murphy
"	Leroy M. Cook
"	Lillian C. Parker
"	Charles H. Sullivan
"	Agnes L. Brogan

Residence	By Whom Married
Woonsocket Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	
Lowell Franklin	Rev. John B. Labossiere
"	
"	Rev. Edward Kenney
Readville Franklin	Rev. R. Simoris
"	
"	Rev. Edward Kenney
Blackstone Franklin	Rev. Thomas P. Smith
"	
"	Rev. Earle M. Hand
Milford Norfolk Franklin	Rev. E. Barebella
"	Rev. Arthur Wright
"	
"	Rev. Edward Kenney
Pawtucket Franklin	Rev. Elmer E. Frederick
"	
"	Rev. Edward Kenney

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
June 11	Edwin P. Fairbanks	Westboro	
"	Ruth E. Mann	Franklin	Rev. Arthur W. Dycer
" 11	Albert G. Snow	Maine	
"	Hope S. Farrington	Newton	Rev. R. K. Marvin
" 19	Alfred F. Morris	Franklin	
"	Cordelia M. Morse	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
" 22	George A. Coughlin	Franklin	
"	Alice T. Ahearn	Walpole	Rev. T. J. Fahey
" 22	Jesse Shriel	Franklin	
"	Sarah E. Aldrich	"	Rev. Arthur Wright
" 25	Gordon C. Reardon	Woodsville, N. H.	
"	Eleanor W. Rickard	Franklin	Rev. John B. Reardon
" 26	Charles E. James	Wellesley	
"	Hannah H. M. Watson	Franklin	Rev. Arthur W. Dycer
" 27	Harold F. Greene	"	
"	Rachel E. Fitzgerald	"	Rev. Leo P. Dumas
" 27	Francis J. Gilbert	Brockton	
"	Clara M. Coulter	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
" 30	Alfred E. Carlson	"	
July	Raylene B. Roode	Chartley	Rev. Arthur Wright
" 2	George S. Dawe	Hopedale	
"	Frances G. Palmer	"	Rev. Charles F. Westman
" 8	Hugh B. Wallace	Walpole	
	Zella I. McCormack	Franklin	Rev. Earle M. Hand

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
July 9	John L. Elf	Franklin	
"	Elizabeth B. Homer	Norfolk	Rev. George W. Mott
" 24	Christian A. Pretto	Franklin	
Aug. 3	Ruth E. Healy	Beachmont	Rev. E. A. Jenkins
"	Charles A. Fletcher	Mass.	
" 14	Elizabeth Marsden	Medway	Rev. Charles F. Westman
"	William H. Chisholm	Franklin	
" 20	Florence M. Buckley	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Paul R. Erler	Walpole	
" 27	Louise E. Arena	Franklin	Rev. H. W. Meyers
"	Horace M. King	"	
" 27	Lillian J. McCarthy	"	Rev. Charles E. Coolidge
"	Joseph W. Goodwin	"	
" 28	Lucy G. Gray	"	Rev. Leo P. Dumas
"	Santo Marco	"	
" 28	Maria Stataro	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	James C. Martin	Boston	
" 31	Isabel A. Scott	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Joseph G. Bernardi	Providence, R. I.	
" 31	Nora L. Tabarani	Franklin	Rev. Leo P. Dumas
"	Baldo D. Pellini	"	
"	Christine Brunelli	"	Rev. Leo P. Dumas
Sept. 5	Joseph A. Bazinet	Woonsocket	
"	Helena M. Harpin	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
Sept. 7	Weston F. Chadbourne	Franklin	Rev. Maurice A. Levy
" 12	Ora E. Keating	"	
	Benedetto Palermo	"	
" 21	Alma Ciccone	Chile	Rev. Edward Kenney
	Henry B. A. deBruyne	Franklin	
	Mary E. Hayward	"	Rev. R. K. Marvin
Oct. 1	Harry M. Jacques	Norfolk	
" 8	Emily W. Sharp	North Attleboro	Rev. Earle M. Hand
	Ellsworth M. Fisher	Franklin	
" 10	Elizabeth G. Kusmaul	Waterbury	Rev. Earle M. Hand
	Pasquale Pasquarosa	Franklin	
" 11	Maria D. DiPalmer	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
	Benjamin F. Daddario		
" 15	Adeline M. Santosuosso	Milford	Rev. Louis Fontana
" 15	Joseph T. Brown	Franklin	
" 15	Catherine J. Cray	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
	Felix Manocchio	"	
" 16	Lillian Tacco	Putnam	Rev. Edward Kenney
" 16	Raymond L. Allard	Franklin	
" 26	Mary M. Laundry	Bellingham	Rev. Edward Kenney
" 26	Charles E. Sanderson	Upton	
" 29	Dorothy G. Burroughs	Norwood	Rev. Arthur Wright
	Luigi Ciarocco	Franklin	
	Frances Dangelo		Rev. Pacifico Chenil

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
Oct. 30	Patsy Pisano	Franklin	
"	Lucy Guozzo	Boston	Rev. A. Lazzarin
"	James F. Neelon	Franklin	
"	Laura D. George	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Albert E. Cadoret	Woonsocket	
"	Idella R. Dumas	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
Nov. 13	Louis Ketover	"	
"	Rose Kane	Woonsocket	Rev. Nathan Angel
"	Daniel F. Sullivan	Cambridge	
"	Bridget D. Mullen	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Meyer Matson	Portland	
"	Ruth Simon	Franklin	Rev. Harry Levi
"	Medrick H. Pleau	Caryville	
"	Mildred V. Brown	Franklin	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	George C. Hutchinson	"	
"	Mary R. Joyce	"	Rev. Edward Kenney
"	Edward H. Dunton	Norfolk	
"	Barbara A. Weatherby	"	Rev. Arthur Wright
Dec. 10	Rudolph J. Bourbeau	Franklin	
"	Marie J. Dulaude	Walpole	Rev. T. J. Fahey
"	Perry M. Cook	Plainville	
"	Maude MacNeil	Franklin	Rev. Charles H. Neely
"	Raymond T. Bennett	"	
"	Mary E. Sullivan	Walpole	Rev. T. J. Fahey

1927	Name	Residence	By Whom Married
Dec. 24	Sahag Hogasian	Northbridge	
"	Horok Sanosian	Franklin	Rev. Thomas M. Huston
31	Amalio L. Mucciarone	"	
	Jennie M. Burton	"	Rev. Edward Kenney

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN FOR THE YEAR 1927.

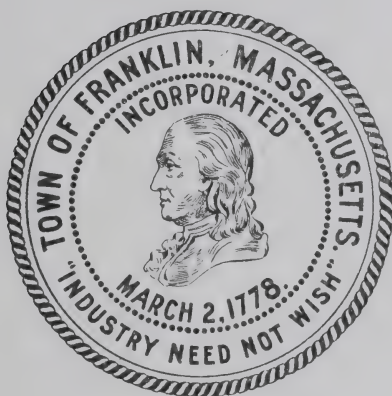
1927	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	• Days
Jan. 2	George E. Geb	33	—	—
" 9	Freedra E. Daniels	67	11	24
" 15	Samuel E. Robinson	11	—	2
" 16	Ermenia Bertoni	75	—	—
" 16	—	—	—	—
" 18	George E. Stewart	64	2	7
" 25	Joseph Rossetti	5	4	10
" 27	—	—	—	—
" 30	Lillian H. Brennick	55	7	21
" 31	Frederick W. Grattan	61	4	25
Feb. 5	Elsie H. Zwickert	1	4	20
" 5	Elizabeth M. Verna	5	—	15
" 11	Giacomo Daddario	39	11	14
" 14	Mary E. White	73	3	6
" 17	Quinto Viola	35	0	27
" 23	Margaret Coates	84	11	22
" 24	Enoch B. Waldron	83	3	27
Mar. 1	Fred N. Dangelo	—	4	—
" 2	Gaetano A. Muccillo	—	2	21
" 5	Andrew Sullivan	62	—	—
" 10	William White	61	5	27
" 12	Patrick J. Collins	89	11	26
" 19	Carmine Colallilo	28	—	—
" 21	—	—	—	—
" 21	George Mucciarone	44	6	4
" 22	—	—	—	—
" 24	Georgianna V. Landry	62	10	3
" 25	Frances R. Green	—	1	4
" 29	Jeremiah J. Dacey	54	6	11
" 24	Ernest Nepstrom	13	9	4
Apr. 6	Vera Cataldo	33	—	12
" 10	Fred F. Holbrook	48	—	—
" 13	—	—	—	—
" 15	Hannah Morrissey	76	3	21
" 18	Lawrence J. Boylan	53	8	24
" 23	—	—	—	—
" 27	Bridget McWilliams	50	—	—

1927	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Apr. 28	Mary A. McWilliams	77	—	1
" 11	Nellie Ingalls	68	—	—
" 24	Molia Sacco	34	1	1
" 30	—	—	—	—
May 3	Charlotte I. Pond	72	7	18
" 7	Mary H. Lee	52	11	29
" 20	Benjamin W. Dalton	75	10	30
" 23	William F. King	87	8	18
" 25	Charles J. Peterson	53	4	25
" 25	—	—	—	—
" 23	Adelaide M. Bussagli	2	11	12
" 29	Thomas H. Prout	65	—	—
" 29	Fred A. Lougee	63	—	—
June 16	Mattie Bigelow	78	—	—
" 24	Grace A. Burke	32	4	24
" 25	Dorothy E. Thayer	20	5	4
" 26	Josephine A. Bernard	29	—	—
" 12	Mary Dolphin	72	5	23
" 29	—	—	—	—
July 12	Clement X. McManemy	8	4	12
" 13	Thomas B. Allen	90	9	6
" 28	Helen Sanink	—	10	—
Aug. 1	Bedelia Brown	89	4	—
" 5	Ezilda Snow	70	3	24
" 5	Charles E. Kemp	65	10	17
" 5	Frank J. White	74	6	3
" 7	Harriet K. Robinson	62	8	—
" 8	Jane C. Lewis	46	6	2
" 13	Ellen S. Whittaker	79	10	—
" 16	Micheline DeBaggis	10	5	1
" 20	Alice M. Arnold	56	2	16
Sept. 9	—	—	—	—
" 11	Carrie C. Shangraw	50	3	7
" 14	Bridget Dailey	90	—	—
" 18	Despina Kehayas	—	5	9
" 24	Charles E. Davis	74	9	10
" 19	—	—	—	—
" 30	Charles Emond	50	7	22
Oct. 1	Bridget Boyle	75	—	—
" 8	Anna S. Carlson	71	11	13
" 10	Herbert A. Besse	52	7	3
" 12	Sadie F. Blaisdell	50	10	7
" 22	Eleanor R. Goodwin	85	10	8
" 25	Joseph E. Clark	65	8	3

1927	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Nov. 10	Olive W. Miller	69	5	9
" 11	Vincenza Lombardi	34	10	21
" 15	Nellie Molloy	59	11	29
" 20	_____	—	—	—
Dec. 4	Adaline A. Porter	51	9	14
" 12	_____	—	—	—
" 14	Rufus A. Fisher	89	1	30
" 27	William F. Gamble	49	1	21



ANNUAL REPORT
of the
**Board of Water and Sewer
Commissioners**
of the
TOWN OF FRANKLIN
MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year Ending December 31

1927

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

During the year the Department made but one extension. This was on King street, running west from the corner of Peck street, 400 feet of 6-inch cast iron pipe being laid.

The 10-inch and 12-inch cement lined pipe on Crescent street was replaced with 14-inch cast iron pipe.

At the corner of Alpine street and Crescent street all the old cement lined pipe was removed and replaced with cast iron pipe and fittings. New and larger gates were installed.

Approximately 200 feet of 6-inch pipe on East Central street near the Wrentham line was lowered several feet on account of the change in grade of the new State Highway at that point.

There were six breaks in all in the old cement lined pipe.

There have been no leaks or breaks of any kind in the cast iron pipe since the department adopted the plan of replacing the old cement lined mains with this material.

One new hydrant was added to the system. This was on the dead end of the 6-inch extension laid on King street. All hydrants were tested and painted. Several were found to be in bad condition. These were repaired or replaced by new ones.

TWENTY-TWO (22) new services were installed, making a total of THIRTEEN HUNDRED ELEVEN (1311) at the close of the year. All the new services were 1¼-inch, which is the smallest that is now being used by the Department.

Nearly all the services on East Central street State Highway were changed because of the new location of the street.

Due to frequent rains during the year, the wells showed no signs of lowering but a few feet at any time.

The largest amount of water pumped in any one day was on August 27th., when 872,000 gallons were pumped. The largest amount pumped in any one month was in August, when 17,176,240 gallons were pumped. The total amount pumped during the year was 179,787,532 gallons. There were 2,320,772 gallons less pumped during the year 1927 than during the year 1926.

Water Analysis by Dept. of Public Health

	Residue on Evaporation	Free Ammonia	Albuminoids	Chlorine	Nit. as Nitrates	Nit. as Nitrites	Iron
Feb.	6.80	.0002	.0014	.56	.0200	.0000	.005
June	5.90	.0000	.0026	.58	.0340	.0000	.004

We are figuring on the erection of a new stand-pipe during the coming year, therefore it was deemed best to construct the foundation this year. This work was started in October and completed within about four weeks. The work was done by this department and we are now prepared for the construction of a stand-pipe 85 ft. high and 50 ft. in diameter. It is proposed to erect one having a capacity of approximately 1,252,000 gallons. By operating the old and the new together, the Town will have a storage capacity of approximately 1,700,000 gallons. This supply will make ample storage for nearly two days in case of an accident to the machinery at the Pumping Station.

With the approval of the Dept. of Public Health we have leased a parcel of land on the shore of Beaver Pond to John Jarvis to erect and maintain an ice house.

The following figures may be of interest to the citizens in regard to the cost of operating the Water Department since its purchase by the Town.

Received from sale of bonds.....	\$300,000.00
Premium on the bonds.....	3,694.00
Town appropriation for hydrants..	137,473.00
Income from operation.....	606,389.00

Total receipts \$1,047,556.00

Paid from this income to

Franklin Water Co. for plant....	\$ 170,000.00
Interest on bonds.....	151,519.00
Bonds paid at maturity.....	177,000.00
Maintenance and extensions....	544,214.00
Balance on hand.....	4,823.00

\$1,047,556.00

Bonds outstanding Jan. 1, 1928..... 123,000.00

During this 21½ years of operation the taxpayers have contributed nothing, except paying for use of fire hydrants, the balance of income was from water takers.

We have paid from this income, one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000) to the old company for the plant; interest on bonds, one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred and nineteen dollars (\$151,519); on the principal of the bonds, one hundred seventy-seven thousand dollars (\$177,000); leaving us a balance above extensions and operating of forty-eight hundred twenty-three dollars (\$4823.00).

Rainfall During The Year 1927

Elevation above sea level 240 feet.

Jan. 2.61: Feb. 3.15: March 1.38: April 2.31: May 2.65:
June 1.94: July 2.91: Aug. 10.47: Sept. 3.28: Oct. 4.90:
Nov. 5.38: Dec. 5.03.

Total rainfall for the year, 46.01 inches.

Normal rainfall for the year, 43.33 inches.

Sewer and Sewer Beds

Seventeen house connections were made during the year. Nearly all of these were for newly constructed houses. There are still about forty houses on the line of the main sewer that are not connected to the sewer.

All main sewers were flushed as in previous years. None were found to be clogged during the year.

About twenty-five man-hole frames were raised to the street level.

The Mine Brook sewer beds are operating satisfactorily. The surface of these beds was loosened several times during the summer to allow free filtration.

The Timnah Brook beds are in poor condition and will probably need considerable expense in rebuilding within a few years.

At the last annual meeting, the town instructed us to investigate and report on the cost of extending the sewer system on East Central street and vicinity. We engaged the services of Mr. Van Valkenburg, who so successfully engineered the Mine Brook system, and append herewith his report.

Framingham, Massachusetts, January 10, 1928.

Bradley M. Rockwood

Fred P. Chapman

Leroy W. Stott

Water and Sewer Commissioners

Franklin, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

In a communication to me under date of March 8, 1927, you requested that I make preliminary surveys covering that part of the Town on East Central Street not already sewered and report to the Town at the next annual meeting.

Owing to the fact that plenty of time was afforded me to make the investigation, much more time than was at first contemplated or considered necessary, has been devoted in making surveys and studying a situation which has given rise to many questions. The results finally obtained are now presented to you in full confidence that the general plan recommended is for the best interests of the Town to adopt.

Whatever system of sewage disposal is adopted for the relief of the southerly side of the Town it should, I believe, be sufficiently comprehensive to reach by its possible extensions, practically to the limits of the ultimate residential district. There are several new streets already projected and outlined on the ground where shown on the plan and it is safe to assume that were water and sewerage facilities near at hand, building operations would soon become apparent.

The topography of this portion of the Town is such as will not admit of a system of sewers that will dis-

charge by gravity into the northerly side sewerage system constructed a few years ago. The sewage will have to be pumped over the divide into the said system.

In order to determine the point where the collecting reservoir and pumping station should be located it has been necessary to survey and make profiles of several streets, namely, East Central, Cross, King, Summer, Lewis, Milliken avenue, Corbin, Chestnut and the proposed trunk line location from East Central street to the pumping station.

Milliken avenue from a point 100 feet northeasterly from East Central street to the angle is practically level; Chestnut street for a distance of 1700 feet varies in elevation about 1 foot; Lewis street from East Central street down to Keough street has a fall of about 5 feet, while East Central street southeasterly from Milliken avenue down to the culvert, a distance of 3800 feet, has a fall of 15.5 feet.

Under these conditions there is, in my opinion, but one proper course to pursue and that is construct a trunk line sewer in East Central street from Lewis street to a point about 430 feet westerly of the said culvert, thence northerly and westerly over private land and Chestnut street to the pumping station as represented on the plan. This line will be at such an elevation as will allow the sewers of all the said streets and other streets hereafter constructed in the district including several hundred feet of East Central street lying easterly of the culvert, to be connected with the same.

At the present time the old filter beds which are located southerly of the Railroad and easterly of the factory of the Thomson National Press Co. receive through a 12-inch pipe the sewage from the lower portion of Main street, Emmons street, Dean avenue and Alpine street southerly from School street, and from a portion of each of the following streets on the southerly side of the Railroad, Cottage, Summer East Central, Ruggles, Corbin and Alpine place.

These filters are not in a good operative condition. I am informed that they cause considerable trouble and expense and that before long a large expenditure must

be made to put them in a satisfactory condition. Now since the proposed pumping station is to be only about 270 feet from the said 12-inch inlet pipe, it is planned and recommended that the sewage flowing to the filters be intercepted and conducted to the station as represented on the plan and with the sewage from East Central street, pumped over the divide into the northerly side sewer system.

This connection would also render good service at a time when possibly the pumps need repairs. By simply operating the station gates all the sewage flowing into the reservoir from either direction can be bypassed and discharged through the said connection onto the filters.

The Pumping Station layout would consist of a brick building 13 x 16 feet, containing in its water tight concrete cellar, two vertical centrifugal pumps, electrically driven and automatically started and stopped by means of floats. The second pump would start into operation only after the amount of sewage received in the reservoir exceeded the capacity of the first pump.

The concrete reservoir would be 13 x 16 feet, 12 feet deep and be located adjacent to the pump well.

From the station an 8-inch cast-iron force main would extend up to and through Milliken avenue to East Central street; thence crossing said street into and through Cross street to Summer street; thence through said street to and through Winter street to Peck street. Here it would connect with the 16-inch cast-iron trunk line sewer of the present system. The total length of the force main would be about 3700 feet.

East Central street from Lewis street easterly has only recently been paved and it would not of course be advisable to disturb it even though a center location for the sewer is desirable. However, the sidewalks along the same have not been constructed and it is therefore planned to locate the proposed sewer between the said pavement and the northerly street line as represented on the plan.

Owing to the conditions under which the following estimates have been made, they should be regarded as tentative.

The 15-inch trunk line on East Central street and private property from Lewis street to the Pumping Station and extension to 12-inch

outlet to the filters.....	\$21,230.00	
Add 10%	2,123.00	\$23,353.00

Pumping Station, reservoir and

pumping machinery	\$13,000.00	
Add 10%	1,300.00	\$14,300.00

Forcemain 8 inch cast iron.....\$ 9,250.00

Add 10%	925.00	\$10,175.00
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East Central Street 10 and 8 inch

northerly from Lewis Street..	\$ 3,510.00	
Add 10%	351.00	\$ 3,861.00

Milliken Avenue 8 inch near

East Central Street to Station	\$ 2,890.00	
Add 10%	289.00	\$ 3,179.00

Lewis Street 10 inch from East

Central to Cook Street.....	\$ 1,920.00	
Add 10%	192.00	\$ 2,112.00

Cross Street 8 inch from East

Central westerly to top of hill	\$ 950.00	
Add 10%	95.00	\$ 1,045.00

King Street 8 inch from East

Central westerly to top of hill	\$ 1,340.00	
Add 10%	134.00	\$ 1,474.00

Corbin Street 6 inch from Milliken
avenue westerly\$ 410.00
Add 10% 41.00 \$ 451.00

Chestnut Street 8 inch from
East Central Street easterly
to divide\$ 2,090.00
Add 10% 209.00 \$ 2,299.00

Total Estimate\$62,249.00

No estimate has been made for rock excavation or for possible claims for crossing private property.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. VAN VALKENBURGH.

We recommend the appropriation of eight thousand eight hundred and fifteen dollars (\$8815) for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department, including the compensation of the Water Commissioners, and in addition thereto the unexpended balance in the treasury of this department, together with the receipts of the Water Department.

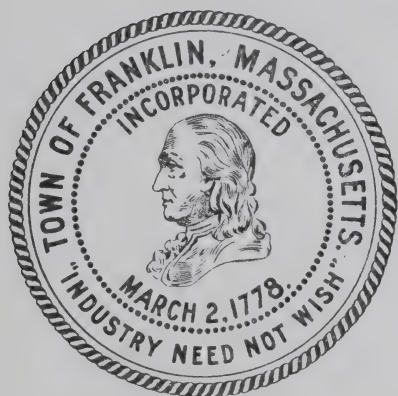
We recommend the appropriation of five thousand dollars for the construction, maintenance and repairs of sewers and sewer beds.

B. M. ROCKWOOD,
F. P. CHAPMAN,
L. W. STOTT,
Water and Sewer Commissioners.



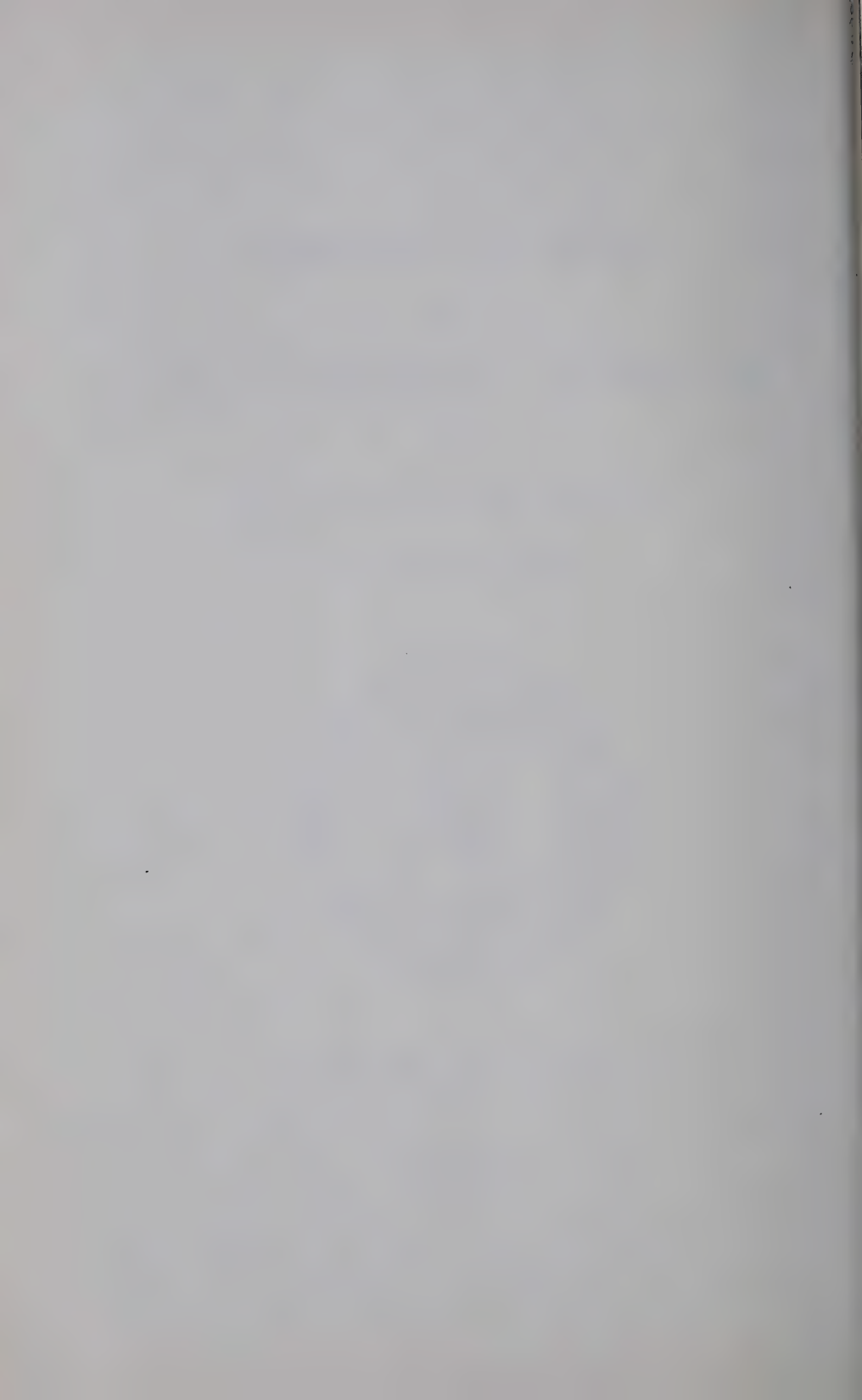


ANNUAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
of the
TOWN OF FRANKLIN
MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year Ending December 31

1927



SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Term Expires
Boyd P. Chapman, Lincoln Street.....	1928
John M. Riley, 94 Alpine Street.....	1929
Lee C. Abbott, 26 West Street.....	1930

ORGANIZATION

John M. Riley, Chairman
Lee C. Abbott, Secretary

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Arthur W. Hale, 22 Martin Avenue
Office: High School Building
Office Hours: Monday, 8:00 to 9:00 A. M., 4:00 to 5:00
P. M. during the school term.
Office open on School days: 8:00 to 12:00, 1:00 to 5:00.
Saturday: 8:00 to 12:00.
Telephone: Office, 520; House, 233-J
Clerk: Mary L. Molla

REGULAR MEETING OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Second Wednesday of each month, High School Building,
at 8:00 P. M.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Solon Abbott, M. D. 30 Dean Avenue
Telephone: 196

SCHOOL NURSE

Nellie I. Mitchell, R. N. Franklin, Mass.
Telephone: 234-W

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Russ W. Harding, 47 Summer Street
Telephone: 88-W

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET ESTIMATE
For 1928.

	Estimate 1927	Expended 1927	Estimate 1928
General Control	\$ 5,575.00	\$ 5,491.83	\$ 5,650.00
Teachers' Salaries	79,650.00	79,631.55	80,700.00
Books and Supplies	6,000.00	6,737.38	6,500.00
Wages of Janitors	9,950.00	9,701.25	9,950.00
Fuel	5,000.00	5,230.54	5,000.00
Misc. Operating	2,375.00	2,376.26	2,450.00
Repairs	4,000.00	3,971.05	5,000.00
Transportation	7,820.00	7,325.80	8,000.00
Misc. Health, Ins., Etc.	3,725.00	3,700.52	4,000.00
Totals —	\$124,095.00	\$124,166.18	\$127,250.00
Dog Tax 1927	\$ 1,176.47		
Appropriation 1927	123,000.00		
Total Appropriation	\$124,176.47		
Expended—1927	124,166.18		
Unexpended Balance	10.29		

Appropriation recommended 1928: \$127,250.00 and dog tax.

Receipts and General School Fund 1927	\$18,560.23
Estimated Receipts and General School Fund 1928	18,000.00

**GENERAL SCHOOL FUND AND RECEIPTS OF
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FOR 1927**

General School Fund, Teachers' Salaries	\$12,675.00
State Wards, Tuition and Transportation	629.48
Massachusetts Training School, Tuition and Transportation	1,107.40
Bellingham Tuition	3,370.25
Norfolk Tuition	356.85
Manual Training	299.26
Miscellaneous, Books, Breakage, etc.	55.59
Telephone	28.70
Refunds	37.70
Total	<hr/> \$18,560.23

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1927-1928

January 3, 1928, Opening of Winter Term.
February 18 to 26, 1928, Winter Vacation.
April 6, 1928, Good Friday.
April 14 to 22, 1928, Spring Vacation.
May 30, 1928, Memorial Day, Holiday.
June 15, 1928, Closing of Schools, Grades I-VIII.
June 22, 1928, Closing of Schools, High School.
September 5, 1928, Opening of Schools.
October 12, 1928, Columbus Day, Holiday.
November 28, noon to December 2, 1928, Thanksgiving Recess.
December 20 to January 2, 1929, Christmas Vacation.

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

2 Blasts 4 Times and in addition Electric Lights will be turned on for 5 minutes at 7:30 A. M.

7:30 Omit Sessions in all schools for the day.

11:30 Omit afternoon sessions in all schools.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Franklin:—

The Annual Report of your School Committee is herewith respectfully submitted, together with the reports of the Superintendent, Principals, Supervisors and Directors of special phases of the school work.

It will be seen from these reports that the past year has been one of real progress in nearly every department. Your committee desires to call particular attention to some of the outstanding facts in connection with the Schools of Franklin.

First, Enrollment: The total enrollment of scholars in December 1927 was 1687. This is an increase of fourteen over the preceding year and the smallest increase in recent years. Under present business conditions, it would appear that there will be very little increase in the immediate future. The noticeable feature has been the large increase in the number of High School pupils during the past ten years, from 168 to 344 or over 100 per cent.

Second, Finances: The total expenditures for the year 1926 amounted to \$120,226.05. The income from the General School fund and other receipts for that year totaled \$14,998.47. That amount went to the Excess and Deficiency fund of the Town and left a net expense of \$105,227.58.

The total expenditures for 1927 amount to \$124,166.18 and during the same period the Town has received on account of its Schools \$18,560.23 making the net cost \$105,605.95 or an increase of less than \$400. Citizens who are alarmed at the continual increase in the appropriations from year to year should consider the increase in receipts which the Town has received. In view of the increase in the number of pupils and the necessary increase in the number of teachers and their salaries, transportation, supplies, etc., the cost of your schools

has been kept exceptionally low. It is sufficient to note that the average cost per pupil in the seventy-nine towns of the State over five thousand in population is \$71.59 in elementary schools. For Franklin the cost is \$62.03. The average cost for the same towns per pupil in High Schools is \$126.20. For Franklin, \$112.78.

Third, Scholarship: Your High School is rated in Class A by the Department of Education. The principal's report shows that twenty-six of last year's graduating class have taken up advanced work in Colleges or training schools. The annual exhibits of the work of the Manual Training and Home Making, Mechanical Drawing and Art Departments show the wonderful progress which is being made by the pupils in these courses. The business course attracts a large number from the entering classes and the graduates are meeting with success.

Your Committee hopes that every citizen will read the reports herewith submitted, which contain in detail the work accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. RILEY, Chairman

LEE C. ABBOTT

BOYD P. CHAPMAN

**THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
For the Year Ending December 31, 1927**

To the School Committee and Citizens of Franklin:

I am submitting my tenth annual report as Superintendent of the Franklin Schools. Included with this report are the reports of my colleagues and statistical data for your consideration.

Membership and Attendance

The annual average membership of the Franklin Schools has shown a steady increase for the past ten years. During the period ending in June the increase in the first eight grades has been from 1027 to 1217 pupils and in the High School from 168 to 344 pupils.

This is an average increase per year of 19 pupils or 1.85 percent in the grades and 18 pupils or 10.5 percent in the High School.

The large number of cases of Scarlet Fever, Measles, and Diphtheria that were reported last winter seriously lowered the attendance of pupils at school. For the school year ending in June 1927 the percentage of attendance dropped to 93.5 percent. This is the lowest it has been since 1920, and 2 percent lower than it has been the past fall. Parents should make all possible efforts to have their children receive the benefits provided by the taxpayers, in our schools on every day they are in session. Children that are frequently absent cannot do as good work as those who are punctual in attendance.

No School Signals

The responsibility of closing the schools on account of stormy weather under present regulations rests with your Superintendent. He has always been reluctant to deprive all the school children of the town of the privilege of attending school except when the weather is extremely bad and the health of the school children

would be seriously endangered. He recognizes that the weather is an uncertain proposition and that it cannot be known always before 7:30 A. M. what the day will bring forth. He also realizes that there are days when the majority of children living the average distance from school can attend school without injuring their health, but when there are individual children who for one cause or another would be seriously risking their health if they attended school, parents should use their best judgment in regard to sending these latter children to school on stormy days.

In the past there has been difficulty at times for all to hear the no school signals in the morning. Arrangements have been made with the Union Light & Power Company to have the street lights on for five minutes at 7:30 whenever the no school signal is blown. Mr. Fiorani, manager of the Union Light & Power Company, has kindly consented to render this service gratis for the benefit of the community.

Transportation

The cost of transporting children to school continues to increase. During the past year \$7,325.80 or nearly six percent of the school budget was devoted to transportation. The state law requires that children living more than two miles from the school they are obliged to attend, be transported part or all the distance at the expense of the School Department. The regulations of the local school committee permit children to ride on established routes if they live more than a mile from school. Although the local regulations are more liberal than the state law requires, parents are constantly requesting that children be transported when they live less than a mile from school. Of course such requests cannot be granted unless the circumstances are unusual.

The crowded conditions that have existed at times in the past on the Johnson Bus Lines has been remedied largely by having the busses make three trips with school children on West Central Street to Bellingham and two trips with children on Lincoln Street to Medway. By this arrangement, children attending the High and Junior High Schools that open at 8:25 and 8:30 respectively come on the first trip or trips and

children attending the first six grades that open at 9:00 A. M. come on the last trip.

On the other routes where there are not enough children to make two trips, the grade children get to school earlier than is necessary in the morning and the Senior High School pupils have to wait a long period in the afternoon before being transported home.

The extension of the State Road on King Street to South Street has improved conditions on that route. The roads on the Mount, North Franklin, and City Mills routes are very narrow and rough in places and need to be improved.

In order to make it possible to improve the transportation conditions under which some of the children are carried, I think the School Department should own a motor bus capable of carrying thirty or more children. Such a bus could be driven by one of our present janitors and would be operated so that our transportation expense would not be increased.

Thayer School Heating System

The heating plant at this building is expensive to operate, inefficient, and needs renewing. It consists of a small steam heater, that gives good service, and two large old furnaces that are big coal consumers and succeed better in emitting coal gas into the class rooms than warm, pure air. I suggest that the two furnaces be replaced by a steam heater capable of heating the whole building and that the small steam heater now in use be kept as an auxiliary heater to be used in the early fall and late spring when only a little heat is needed to make the class rooms comfortable.

Changes in the Teaching Staff

During the past year 15 teachers have left our employ and 17 teachers have been secured. Two teachers have been promoted to other positions. Eleven of the teachers secured were for positions in the Junior and Senior High Schools where it is difficult to obtain successful teachers. Without exception, all are doing earnest and commendable work and will make valuable additions to our teaching staff as they gain more experience.

Ten of the 15 teachers who left our service resigned to obtain other teaching positions, three to be married, and two on account of other reasons.

School Costs

The table that follows gives a comparison of the per pupil costs in all schools, in high schools, and in elementary schools for the 17 towns in the state with an average membership between 1400 and 1800 pupils or about the size of Franklin. These statistics and others that follow are taken from the Annual Report of the Massachusetts Department of Education, for the School Year ending June 30, 1927.

Per Pupil Cost

Town	Average Membership	All Schools	High Schools	Elementary Schools
1. Northbridge	1799	\$ 80.07	\$119.12	\$71.26
2. Middleboro	1780	68.17	88.73	58.23
3. Maynard	1714	61.10	97.73	49.99
4. Easthampton	1637	89.59	113.87	76.97
5. Ludlow	1606	94.26	217.45	80.07
6. Walpole	1598	88.36	116.41	71.28
7. Montague	1594	93.22	122.94	81.40
8. Franklin	1561	78.73	112.78	62.03
9. Southbridge	1558	77.56	102.05	70.84
10. Bridgewater	1550	72.11	117.48	61.44
11. Whitman	1528	74.96	101.60	55.27
12. Agawam	1516	78.66	138.33	68.09
13. Rockland	1481	71.73	114.83	57.17
14. Swampscott	1458	101.82	113.42	97.27
15. Stoneham	1442	92.36	142.93	70.05
16. Ipswich	1423	69.87	77.09	56.89
17. Andover	1416	90.99	137.48	75.80
AVERAGE	1568	\$ 81.39	\$119.66	\$68.47

Average Per Pupil Cost for All Schools

39 Cities of State	\$95.32
79 Towns over 5,000 population	85.13
Franklin	78.73

Average Per Pupil Cost in Elementary Schools

39 Cities of State	\$82.10
79 Towns over 5,000 population	71.59
Franklin	62.03

Average Per Pupil Cost in High School

39 Cities of State	\$133.19
79 Towns over 5,000 population	126.20
Franklin	112.78

In connection with our school costs it is interesting to note that our school expenditures for 1926 and 1927 were respectively \$120,226.05 and \$124,166.18, an increase of \$3,940.13. Our school receipts for the same period were respectively \$14,998.47 and \$18,560.23, an increase of \$3,561.76. In other words our expenditures increased only \$378.37 more than our receipts from 1926 to 1927.

During 1927 we received \$5,363.98 in tuition from the Department of Public Welfare, Norfolk, and Bellingham.

Through the General School Fund, Part I, we were reimbursed on the salaries paid teachers \$12,675.00.

Teachers' Salaries

Although the salaries of our teachers have been slowly increased of late years, still they are about \$100.00 less per year than the average paid in other towns of our size throughout the state. When we consider that there have been 71 changes in our teachers during the last five years or an average of 14 teachers a year, which is more than 26 percent, it is doubtful if we are paying enough to secure the best results for our children's instruction.

There are large numbers of Normal School graduates without positions. Most of these graduates are fitted for positions in the lower grades and are not fitted by training and experience for Junior and Senior High School positions, where most of our vacancies occur.

If we are to obtain experienced teachers to fill the vacancies that occur in our high schools or to retain our most promising teachers after they have become experienced, we need to increase our salary schedule in the Junior and Senior High Schools.

Exhibition of School Work

Special invitations were given to parents and the community to witness the work of the schools during American Education Week. At this time the regular work of the schools was stressed, although special pro-

grams were given for short periods of time in some of the schools.

In May a public exhibition of the work of the schools in Music, Art, Manual Training, Home Making, and Physical Education was held in the gymnasium and auditorium of the High School building.

Panels of the art work done in each school room in town and dresses made in the Home Making classes adorned the walls of the gymnasium. The floor was covered with articles of furniture made in the shops and by tables holding the various articles made in the different classes.

In the afternoon and evening entertainments were given in the auditorium, demonstrating the activities of the pupils in Music and Physical Training. There was also a fashion show displaying on the makers the dresses and hats made by the girls.

The auditorium was crowded at these entertainments, many being unable to get inside the doors. This shows the interest the community takes in the work of the children and was very gratifying to teachers and school officials. Another year we are planning to have the exhibitions and entertainments on two afternoons and evenings in order to provide better facilities to accommodate all the parents who desire to see the work of the children.

Yale Photoplays

Through the interest and co-operation of the Mothers' Club, the Alden Club and its Community Service Department, the school children and the community are having the privilege of seeing in the High School Auditorium the Yale Photoplays. These plays depict the more important events in the history of America. Already four of these plays have been given and arrangements have been made by the Mothers' Club for five more to be given monthly in the auditorium.

The Present Emphasis in Education

Our forefathers in establishing the Constitution of the United States realized that an educated people was necessary to insure the blessings of liberty to posterity.

The American Public School System was established

to assure to all the necessary educational opportunities. The success of our public school system has been closely connected with the growth and prosperity of our country.

Never before in our history have so many children for so many days in the year and for so many hours a day, availed themselves of its educational advantages as at present.

Never before have Communities been more willing to make the sacrifices necessary that the children may enjoy the benefits of modern educational advantages as at present. In the words of President Coolidge: "A new importance is attaching to the cause of education. A new realization of its urgent necessity is taking hold of the nation. A new comprehension that the problem is only beginning to be solved is upon the people. A new determination to meet the requirements of the situation is everywhere apparent. The economic and moral waste of ignorance will little longer be tolerated. This awakening is one of the most significant developments of the times."

To meet the demands of the times, schools must provide a training that will adequately prepare children to meet conditions as they now are and will be in the future and not as they were twenty-five or more years ago when life was more simple and less complex. Herbert Hoover says: "But after all, our schools do more than merely transmit knowledge and training; they are America itself in miniature, where, in a purer air and under wise guidance, a whole life of citizenship is levied experimentally with its social contacts, its recreations, its ethical problems, its political practice, its duties and its rewards. Ideals are developed, that shape the whole adult life. Experience is gained that is valuable for all the years of maturity. I would be one of the last people in the world to belittle the importance of the exact knowledge that teachers impart to their pupils — as an engineer I set a high value upon precise information — but knowledge, however exact, is secondary to a trained mind and serves no useful purpose unless it is the servant of an ambitious mind, a sound character, and an idealistic spirit. Social values outrank economic values. Economic gains, even scientific gains, are worse than useless if they accrue to a people unfitted by trained character to use and not abuse.

them."

No longer is the teaching of facts regardless of their future use sufficient. The schools must provide an environment where children may actually do things and live experiences that will prepare them for more complete living.

We are striving to develop in the schools a living curriculum suited to children of all levels of ability and broad and flexible enough to serve the interests of the individual child. Such a curriculum should give each pupil an opportunity to practice life, to develop skills and habits, to create right attitudes, and to train in reflective thinking.

History has shown us that a nation rich in materialistic things soon decays, if the things of the mind and spirit are not developed. An appreciation of music, art, literature, and nature, on the part of our youth is as necessary as business training if our nation is to continue to grow and keep its place of leadership among the nations of the earth. Schools must not only train our youth so that they can earn a good living but also develop in them those ideals and attitudes that will cause them to live good lives.

School Music

For many years we have had a supervisor of music and vocal music has been taught in the schools. In the upper grades and High School it has usually taken the part of chorus singing for all once or twice a week regardless of the pupil's aptitude for singing.

In late years, instrumental music has taken a more prominent part in our Junior and Senior High School program, and orchestras have been developed with varying degrees of success. Until lately these orchestras failed to increase materially in numbers or to arouse the interest of the pupils in orchestral music. This lack of interest was due in a great measure to lack of efficient directors. The Junior High School orchestra was usually directed by a teacher with insufficient knowledge or interest in instrumental music, and the Senior High School orchestra by the Supervisor of Music who had insufficient time for this work in addition to her supervisory duties.

During the past two years there have been developed

in both our Junior and Senior High Schools, under better leadership, large orchestras which have taken a prominent part in the weekly assembly exercises and in the social activities of the schools.

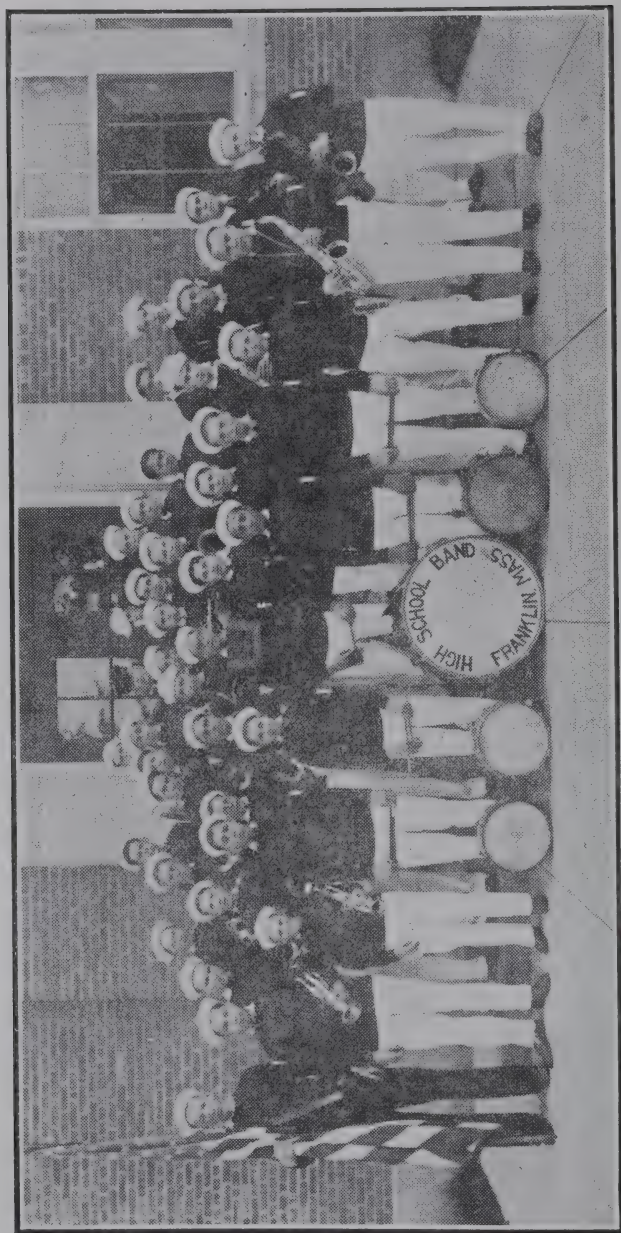
The High School Band

In the fall of 1926, Principal Patty, who had had considerable experience in organizing and directing bands in other places, was persuaded to see if there was not interest and talent enough in the High School to start a band. When the subject was presented to the boys, a large number were found who were interested, but very few who had or could play any band instrument. Permission was received to use \$200.00 of a fund that had been accumulating for student activities for the purchase of some of the larger band instruments and with others owned and obtained by the boys a start was made.

Under Mr. Patty's able leadership and instruction, it was not long before 40 boys were practicing regularly three times a week for the band. During the Basketball season, the band made its first public appearance at one of the games and was enthusiastically received by the audience. Since then they have appeared at the various activities of the school with continued success. They were engaged for the local Memorial Day exercises and appeared for the first time in their new suits on that occasion. Words of commendation for their fine work were heard on all sides. Later they were engaged to play at the celebration in commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the town of Uxbridge along with seven other bands, and on July Fourth at the Franklin Country Club. With the money obtained from these engagements they soon paid for their uniforms and were able to purchase more instruments.

This fall the band has been increased to 55 pieces. They made a very creditable showing at the fall meeting of the Norfolk County Teachers' Association in Tremont Temple, Boston, where they delighted the audience with several selections.

The band has not only added to the instrumental work of the school but also has improved its morale. Nearly half of the boys of the school are able to play some musical instrument.



High School Band, Franklin, Mass.

Boys' Glee Club

In addition to the mixed chorus of about 80 voices which rehearse regularly under the direction of the Supervisor, Miss Espinola, a boys' glee club has been formed which will soon make its first public appearance.

Music has always played an influential part in civilization whether in peace or war. It is the one universal language of all people and exerts a strong influence in developing the emotional side of one's personality. Music enlarges one's social contacts and is a strong influence for good in the life of a community. Music is also valuable in its part time possibilities, from a vocational point of view. Already large numbers supplement their earnings in other occupations through music and more and more are making music their vocation.

Just as music exerted a powerful influence in keeping up the spirit and morale of the soldiers in war time, so does it improve the morale of our school children and aids in developing a better school spirit.

School Buildings and Accommodations

Franklin was very fortunate in the time the New High School building was constructed, not only from a financial standpoint, but also in the relief it gave to the crowded school accommodations throughout the town which were rapidly becoming unbearable.

With an enrollment in the High School of 392 pupils, the past fall, we are beginning to use the building nearly to its capacity. Already in certain periods of the school day it is difficult to arrange ideal quarters for all classes. This was true the past fall in the case of the Art classes. Luckily there was a room suitable for this work in the Horace Mann building nearby, and the Art Classes have been held in that building twice a week during the fall.

If the high School enrollment continues to increase at the rate it has the past ten years, it will be only a few years before it will be advisable to change from the 6-2-4 plan to the 6-3-3 plan, thus having a three year junior high school composed of grades 7, 8, and 9 and the senior high school of grades 10, 11, and 12.

Such a change could be brought about gradually by first changing the divisions of the ninth grade that were taking the general or commercial course and later as more room was needed the college divisions to the

Junior High School. To make room for this change in the Theron Metcalf building, the third and fourth grades and the opportunity class now there would need accommodations elsewhere. These could be provided by remodeling the Horace Mann building into an eight-room grade building.

Recommendations

1. Installation of a new heating system at the Thayer School.
2. Purchase of a motor bus for transportation of school children.
3. A liberal appropriation for repairs.

Conclusion

Co-operative effort is needed for producing the best results in any activity. The success of our schools depend more upon co-operation than any other community activity.

The excellent reputation and fine influence our schools are having on the youth of this community is due to the interest and co-operation of parents, school committees, and teachers. Your Superintendent deeply appreciates the fine attitude of the townspeople toward their schools, the helpful and sympathetic guidance of the school committee and the professional interest and co-operation of the teachers.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR W. HALE

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

I wish to submit the following report concerning the Franklin High School for the Fall Term of 1927:

Enrollment by Classes to January 3rd:

Freshmen	116	
Sophomores and ungraded	132	
Juniors	77	
Seniors	63	
Post Graduates	7	Total—395

Standing of the School

The High School is rated as a "Class A" school by the Massachusetts Department of Education. We are accredited by the New England Board until 1930 with renewal privileges at that time. Our graduates are accepted by the schools of the North Central Association. We have been successfully preparing pupils for the College Entrance Board Examinations for several years past.

Graduates of Last Year

From a class of fifty graduates last June, twenty-six have continued their education. Eight have entered colleges, fourteen have entered schools of business training or preparatory schools, four are training in hospitals to become nurses.

Work in the Class Rooms

On account of the addition of an extra teacher last September, we are making our courses more clearly defined and placing pupils in classes better suited to the course they wish to follow.

Also we are planning our class room work to meet the needs of the pupils as caused by the individual differences. In some of the classes we are using the plan of assigning the work on the accomplishment basis, which I believe makes the pupil see the more definite side of school work and does away with the thought that all assignments are hazy and impossible.

We have been sending out notices to the parents at regular intervals, between the times for sending report cards, in order that parent-teacher co-operation may aid in keeping up a good standard of work, and also to bring the matter of school more often to the parents' attention.

We are trying to raise our teaching levels and bring our instruction to a point of efficiency that will reflect in the high standard we hope to maintain.

Activities Outside the School Room

An effort has been made this year to bring each pupil into closer touch with the extra curricular activities.

We have as our aim the bringing of all pupils into some activity aside from the regular class work.

In this effort we have been quite successful through the medium of various organizations such as the different clubs, athletic teams, band, orchestra, dramatic and literary work.

Forty candidates came out for Football in September. These were mostly boys from the first and second years. We played eight games, lost 5 and won 3, but hope for better results next year as most of the team will remain in school another year.

In Baseball we are a member of the Norfolk County Baseball League and will be represented by a team in that organization next Spring.

Our Basketball prospects look very good this year in face of the fact that we lost our entire team by graduation last year. We have over fifty boys who are candidates for the team and much interest is taken in this sport by the entire school.

The girls' team is the same as it was last year except one position that is left vacant by graduation. Miss Kubeck has many candidates so our prospects are bright for another championship team.

Mr. Abell who has charge of the Track work has developed some very good material and conducted several successful meets. He has introduced "Ice Hockey," a new sport to the school, which is becoming very popular.

The gymnasium and athletic work are large factors in our High School life, and I am sure that the part they take is helpful to the academic work of the student body.

Literary Organizations in the School

We are planning to again enter a team in the Singleton Prize Speaking Contest in May. We have been very successful along this line as our school has retained the Singleton cup for the past two years.

The Horace Mann Literary Club is a popular organization that meets once each month for a program of literary and musical numbers given by pupils and alumni.

We are putting on several short plays for assembly in addition to the school play which is used as a source

of revenue for the athletic fund. This training is very valuable for the students and includes a large number so that I consider it one of the very important school activities.

Music in the School

The High School Band has fifty-five members and is playing a good grade of standard marches and some overtures.

The High School Orchestra has made excellent progress under Mr. Smith and plays for all school entertainments and has done some work for outside organizations.

Miss Espinola has a vocal chorus of about 80 voices and a glee club of 25 boys, both of which rehearse regularly and will appear at various school entertainments.

Manual Arts Courses

The Manual Arts Courses are still proving as popular as they did on the opening of the new school. In both courses for boys and girls we have made the work of as practical a nature as possible. The increased enrollment of the school is in some part at least due to these courses which open up the practical side of an education for pupils who cannot continue their education beyond High School.

The Marshal System

At the suggestion of pupils and teachers the pupils have chosen twenty students from their own classmates to act as marshals to care for the passing in the corridors and on the stairways. This plan has been in operation since last October and has proved very successful and also permits the teachers to stay in their rooms to help with assignments or other routine work.

We are permitting student participation in school government in so far as possible but in all cases the final judgment is left with the teacher.

Entertainments

The subject of school dances and plays has been discussed and given careful consideration and we have had

but one play and two public dances during the fall term. It is the purpose of the faculty to keep these affairs within proper limits that are for the good of the school and still preserve a healthy social atmosphere.

In making recommendations for next year my greatest concern is about the crowded conditions of the High School at the present time. Conditions are such that some classes have to recite in the auditorium and on two days each week some classes have to go to the Horace Mann building for room. This condition is very apt to continue as our Sophomore class is the largest class in addition to the fact that the enrollment is the largest in the history of the school.

We are holding pupils in school more than in former years which is evidenced by the small gain in the population of Franklin in the past four years, while the High School has almost doubled in enrollment in the same years.

Another change that would be beneficial to the pupils who come on the North Franklin barge, is some arrangement whereby they can go home directly after school instead of having to wait until the grade schools are dismissed.

I believe that our school work is of a good quality and that it can be kept up to the present standard by avoiding changes in teachers for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT T. PATTY

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

This year the Junior High School opened under very favorable conditions. Although we had five changes in the teaching force, things are running very smoothly, and our teachers and pupils are working together very harmoniously.

One plan of school government, where the pupils are considered citizens of the Junior High School commun-

ity and where the responsibility is placed on the children, is being carried out very successfully. Early in this school year a president and other officers of the school were elected by the pupils. The physical room was fitted up to represent the Town Hall as it is on voting day and the regular ballot system of voting was conducted as in town elections. The honor system has raised the standard of our school. Pupils seem to be grasping and visualizing their subjects on a much wider plane. Their conception is noticeably better in all their subjects. This interest in their work and school has made our attendance much higher. Tardiness is almost entirely obliterated.

Project work is carried on in all the subjects, making the work more interesting to the pupils. As an example the school office is a project worked out by the pupils, the boys painting and varnishing it and the girls making the curtains and couch cover.

Campaigns on "Safety," "Good English," "Health," etc., are carried on and posters, made by the pupils, are displayed in the corridors.

Our annual "Parents' Night" was held November 10, 1927. The pupils gave in entertainment form some of the work that is carried on in the Junior High School.

Our assemblies are conducted as last year, alternating with club work the first period on Wednesday mornings. They are in the hands of the pupils with teacher advisors, the pupils doing most of the work. Our aim is to have every pupil take part at least once during the year. This helps to give him confidence.

Our clubs are progressing very satisfactorily. They are: Ukelele, Art, First Aid, Embroidery, Designing, Camera, Travel, Debating, Camp Cooking for boys, and Hand Craft for girls. One of our aims in club work is to teach the pupils the proper use of their leisure time.

Our honor clubs are: Current Events, Dramatic, and Civic clubs, in which only pupils obtaining a certain grade in certain subjects are allowed membership.

Besides these clubs, we have an orchestra of twenty-five pieces. We also have a 4-H Club for girls and a Poultry Club for boys carried on after school time with the co-operation of leaders from the Agricultural School.

Last February we staged a school play, "The Queen

of Hearts," which was very successful. From the money received we purchased a bass drum and music for the orchestra, financed the school paper, "The Comrade," and still have a small deposit left.

Our school paper, "The Comrade," was issued in May. The entire responsibility of this paper is placed with the pupils.

The graduating class gave as a gift, money for the purchase of a curtain for our stage. We intend to purchase material and, with the help of our Art and Domestic Science Departments, have the making of this project for the girls.

We have a small school library composed of books of reference and the best books of fiction. The majority of these books have been donated by present and past members of the school. The children are allowed to take these books home for pleasure reading. These are also used for book reports and general information.

In the Junior High School we try to help the pupils begin to think seriously of their life work. With this in mind a course in vocations is given in which the different types of occupations and the preparation needed are studied very carefully. The pupils decide what vocation they think they themselves are best suited for, and talk it over with their parents. Then the course offered in High School to help fit themselves for their vocation is chosen, and they enter Senior High School with a definite vocation in mind and work toward that end.

Respectfully submitted,
J. ETTA McCABE

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

At the close of the year 1927 we report the progress of the music department in the public schools of Franklin.

The first grade devote the first part of the year singing rote-songs, after which the first steps in music reading are taught.

In the second grade the children are capable of reading music at sight. This, of course, increases their pleasure when singing.

Fourth and fifth grades are singing two-part songs, while our sixth, seventh, and eighth grades are singing three-part work.

The pupils have a thorough understanding of the work they are doing. After a new problem has been presented and well drilled we make it a point to have some of the pupils act as teachers, thus testing the certainty of their knowledge.

The junior high school orchestra is a remarkable body of young musicians consisting of twenty-five members. Our string section consists of violins, mandolins, 'cello, and banjo. This is augmented by the brass section consisting of slide trombone and trumpets. In the wood-wind there is a saxophone. Then we have a drum and piano.

The ukelele club numbering nearly 35 under Miss Doherty's direction is making an excellent showing.

The high school chorus has increased in membership and is looking forward to giving a public performance in the early spring. Out of this has developed a boys' glee club from which we expect some very good work.

The high school band made an excellent showing at the teachers' convention in Boston this fall. This organization is under the able direction of Mr. Albert T. Patty.

Under Mr. Smith's supervision a high school orchestra is making progress.

The music in general is on the upward grade and we are looking forward to a continued well organized music department.

The teachers are well informed in the Boston University method that is being taught in the schools and seem to be as enthusiastic about it as the children.

It is hoped that not only will the work continue through the schools, but that the children upon going out into the community will use their musical knowledge for their pleasure and that of the community at large.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY P. ESPINOLA

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

The four days of my time a week spent in the Franklin schools are divided as follows:

High School — 2 mornings a week from 8:30 to 10:15.

Junior High School — Friday, all day.

Ray School — Grade VI — Monday afternoon and one period Thursday.

The remaining time is given to the grades which are visited every two weeks.

The Free-hand drawing class of the High School is held in the Horace Mann building this year because of lack of room in the new High School building. This makes a very pleasant arrangement. The subject is elective and as the class is made up of pupils from all four years, the work has to be suited to individual ability and needs. Some of our problems in the Fall were drawing from nature in crayon pastels and water color, principles of design, color through decorative arrangement of flower studies previously made.

Imaginative or symbolic design of birds, flowers, animals is the next step to be worked out in charcoal, then paint on various useful objects, boxes, book-ends, desk sets, lamp shades, etc. Christmas greeting cards are made. The more advanced pupils draw from still life groups in light and shade with pastel or charcoal — then lessons are given in perspective lettering and poster design.

The grades from 1 to 5 have a lesson with the supervisor every two weeks — with two or three lessons in between with the home room teacher.

We hope to develop a sense of the need for beauty, order and color through the study of design principles. My idea is to give the children in each grade complete experiences, including all the steps from line and space arrangement through to color harmony, simply enlarging the circle as they develop, rather than giving one part of the whole, then the next. This is generally

conceded to be the best plan. The children get more real fun out of drawing and develop better than when they are limited, thus learning the joy of individual creative effort.

We encourage original and creative ideas, trying to fit the plan of study to the interest of the children, as this is influenced by special days, holidays, seasons of the year, with their particular kind of activities. We try to develop through the Art work a keener sensitiveness to the beauty of nature and a desire to bring beauty into the common every day things of life.

The purely representative drawing is subordinated to the design element, which is the real mission of Art in the schools, because that is what we all use either well or badly every day of our lives, in our personal appearance, our homes, and our shops.

The sixth grade is visited every week. Mrs. Foster teaches all the other Art lessons. She is especially well adapted to the work and carries it out in the spirit of freedom and individual initiative in which we both believe.

Every Friday is spent with the 7th and 8th grade girls in the Junior High School. One 45 minute period a week is given each division. The work in the 7th grade is Design and Home Decoration. The girls plan model towns and homes, studying as far as girls of that age can, how beautiful line, value, and color harmony make for homes in which life can go on more happily and healthfully, thus making for better citizenship. They make their own choice of houses, garden plans and furniture for their individual homes, working them out in water color and colored paper. They collect all sorts of pictures, catalogues, etc. for reference and discussion.

In the 8th grade, design and color are studied in their relation to personal decoration. Individual types and ways of dressing to suit one's occupation and special needs are studied. Color charts are made and used for reference.

In both these grades we often do special work for the school. Lessons in lettering preceded posters for the Safety Campaign at Miss McCabe's request. These

were posted through the corridors to remind the children of the need of caution when on the streets. Both boys and girls made original designs for a class pin and ring, the best one to be chosen for the school in June. At Christmas, decorations for all the building are made by the Art classes.

There is great improvement in the appearance of almost all the school rooms in town. Pictures have been re-hung and brought down to a level where the children can enjoy them. Tables have been added with books, bowls of flowers, plants, and children's drawings. I think the teachers who spend considerable money, time, and thought on these things should have honorable mention for we are all grateful to them.

Respectfully submitted,
MERLE K. TUTHILL

REPORT OF THE PHYSICAL DIRECTOR FOR GIRLS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

Physical training in the lower elementary grades includes exercises that are informal in character, save for the last half of the third year, when formal gymnastics are introduced.

The exercise periods are for the purpose of correcting faulty posture, of stimulating the important body function, of giving opportunity for flushing the class room with air from out of doors, so that the pupils and room will be in better condition for the further work of the day. Besides their recreative value, games should function in the development of quick decision, self control, honesty and proper spirit in victory and defeat. Folk dancing cultivates the sense of rhythm and joy of movement. It is a means toward helping a

self conscious or awkward pupil to develop natural grace. These games and dances are especially valuable because large numbers can take part in them in comparatively small space.

Attention is given in marching to maintaining a good carriage of the body, a free swing of the arms and a light, natural step. All rigidity is avoided. Lightness and freedom of motion is cultivated in running and skipping.

In the upper elementary grades the lessons include marching, running and tactics of the individual. The principal work is formal gymnastics, for general organic stimulation and posture. Games and dances also form a part of the course.

The work for the Junior High School includes track, out of door games, indoor games, apparatus, formal gymnastics, marching, running and skipping. The first of the fall term the classes consisted of track,—running, jumping, shot-put. After the track meet the hockey season began. Games were played between the classes and the final game was between the seventh and eighth grades. Since that time all the classes have been indoors. The indoor work consists of games, — volley ball, captain ball, and bat ball — apparatus, — Swedish box, balance boards — tumbling, dancing and formal gymnastics. When the weather permits during the winter months skating will be included. In the spring baseball, ground ball and group games will be played.

At the High School the first six weeks were spent on track, including running, jumping, shot-put and hurdling. Volley ball and soccer were played as much as possible out of doors. The indoor classes consist of: one day a week, every two weeks for apparatus, one day every two weeks for games, such as captain ball, basketball and bat ball. On the second day of every week a formal gymnastic lesson is taught; marching, running, exercises of some advantageous type, apparatus work of a more formal type, and a game, such as relay. When the classes can be held out of doors in the spring, baseball and other out of door games will be played.

Respectfully submitted,
DORIS M. KUBECK

**REPORT OF THE PHYSICAL DIRECTOR FOR BOYS
IN THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS
TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Dear Sir:

Physical Education is giving every boy in the public schools of Franklin an opportunity for character-development through big-muscle activity. Every boy expresses himself through physical activity. The form of that expression will determine in a large measure the trend of development in his moral standard. A properly supervised program of physical education gives an opportunity for physical expression under desirable conditions.

The program for boys has been planned with due consideration of the four aims in physical education activity. The hygienic work furnishes sufficient muscular exercise to insure a marked organic effect. The educational aim calls for the training of the subjective motor control plus the training of attention, will, and self-discipline. Good posture is to be considered in the physical education program. A certain recreation value is also insured.

In the Junior High School, healthful recreation and keen competition are the keynotes of the physical education program. All sorts of games are played by the Junior High School boys. Track and soccer are played in the fall. In the winter, hockey, volley ball, captain ball, and bat-ball hold the boys' interest. The spring is the baseball season. Besides these games enough calisthenic, marching, and apparatus work is given to insure a well-balanced physical education content. Interclass and interdivision games are played in these sports. Last year the gymnastic team gave two public exhibitions besides appearing in the Junior High Assembly.

In all the Junior High School activities gentlemanly conduct is the first consideration. An effort is made to instill in the boy's mind a proper code of good sportsmanship which will motivate him outside of his school life as well as during school time.

The High School program consists of track and soccer in the fall, gymnastics, marching, apparatus in the winter, and track in the spring. The High School gymnasium gives an opportunity for a varied program of activity. Special stress is made upon hygienic and recreational work. A hot and cold shower at the end of the physical training period is especially beneficial. Certain physical tests and athletic competition give each boy a definite incentive in his physical education class.

Franklin is giving to each boy through its physical education program an opportunity for better health, a more wide-awake mind, and a more definite code of good-sportsmanship.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. ABELL

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL ARTS IN THE HIGH SCHOOL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

This fall there are four classes in manual training given in the high school, with an enrollment of ninety-eight boys who meet daily for a single period. Last year there were two double periods but due to the increase in the number of boys taking this subject it is impossible to continue with the double period system.

When manual training was first started two years ago, the classes were composed of only freshmen and sophomores. Now if anyone should walk into the shop and see the large number of juniors and seniors taking the work he would readily realize how popular the subject has become.

Costumers, medicine cabinets, and telephone tables again seem to be the favored projects among the freshmen boys. The demand for costumers has been almost greater than the supply. As soon as one is completed it is taken immediately from the shop.

The sophomores have been working in a broader field by devoting their time to making minor improvements in and about the school. To date they have started a sectional oak cabinet for the domestic science room, renovated a closet into an athletic store room, and partitioned off a room in the basement in which the band instruments are safely stored. They have also proved very useful in making stage furniture for recent productions. One clever feat performed by this class must not be overlooked. That is the task of making drum sticks. Although this may seem a very easy job, it is in truth far more difficult than one would imagine.

The upper classmen consisting, of course, of juniors and seniors, are working on projects that anyone would be proud to see in his home. This being the third year of woodworking for many of these boys, they are capable of far more difficult work. The chests being made may be had in all cedar, mahogany finish and cedar lined or walnut finish and cedar lined. Other equally fine projects are ferneries of period design, turned plant stands also of period design, Priscilla sewing cabinets, and writing desks.

Taking up period design in the shop is a long step in advance. Instead of turning out plain, straight furniture, we are now making furniture of William and Mary design that is bound to please anyone with artistic taste. However, this task would be simplified a great deal if we had a band saw and another lathe at our disposal.

This year, as in previous years, there are two mechanical drawing classes. The freshman class is doing much the same work as last year which involves lettering, orthographic projection, geometrical problems, sectional lining, screw threads, and developments.

The advance class has been working on simple architectural drawing, machine and furniture design.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR G. HILBERT

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HOME MAKING IN THE HIGH SCHOOL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:—

The required work for the first year clothing class is as follows:

Cooking Outfit consisting of Apron, Cap, Holders, and Towel

Christmas article

Two undergarments

One dress

Soon after the girls completed their cooking outfits, notice was received of a "Dressmaking Contest" conducted by the Butterick Pattern Company. One of the local merchants kindly consented to co-operate with the department by offering three local prizes to the winners of the contest. The prizes are:

First — Refund cost of dress material and \$5.00 in merchandise.

Second — Refund cost of dress and \$3.00 in merchandise.

Third — Refund cost of dress.

The winners in the local contest may compete for the National prizes of \$50.00, \$25.00, and \$15.00 and a loving cup to the school which sends the winning dress.

The girls who choose to enter the contest started their dresses first while the others began their undergarments.

Later in the year the work of the Dressmaking classes will be exhibited at a Fashion Show.

In the first year Foods classes we are using Greer's "School and Home Cooking" as a text and supplementing this with home projects. Credit is given for these if duly reported.

Foundation recipes for the common dishes are used until a reasonable amount of skill is acquired, then the

variations of these recipes are considered, often with the idea of utilizing left-overs. This tends to make the girls practical cooks and not too dependent upon cook-books.

The girls in Homemaking II are required to make in Clothing classes:—

One undergarment with fitted facing

One tailored blouse with fell seams and tailored sleeve plackets

One Christmas gift

One dress

Several girls in this class have entered the Dressmaking Contest and are now working on dresses of cotton, wool and of silk.

One period a week is devoted to a course in Dietetics. In connection with this we are having a Health Project. At the beginning of the school year a record of the height, weight and age of each girl was made on graph paper. A line was drawn to represent the average weight and increase in weight of a person of their age and height. Each week the girls are weighed and the increase or decrease recorded by another line. The object of this is to see how near to the average each girl can become through a practise of correct food and health habits. This of course requires a knowledge of food values. Not only do they study their own food requirements but also of their families, from the infants to the elderly members.

The last half of the year we plan to have a course in Interior Decoration.

The work in Foods that the Sophomore girls are doing is a continuation of that which they had last year, using as a text Greer's "School and Home Cooking."

A committee from this class prepared and served supper to the cast of "Captain Applejack."

The required work in Clothing III consists of one silk garment, one Christmas article, and one wool garment, (dress or coat). As this class has had more training than the others, the choice of the garment they make is left largely to them as long as each presents new problems. This teaches them to take some responsibility to judge values and materials better and it develops individuality.

In the Foods classes, dishes are made that are a little unusual or that require some previous experience. Individual problems which arise at home and at school are solved. As this class is smaller than the others, it is possible to make dishes that are impractical in large groups. It is also possible to have the girls prepare "meals" rather than "dishes." This is a valuable experience because they learn to plan their work to the best advantage, to keep their minds on more than one thing, to have all of the meal ready to serve when hot or cold as it should be and to serve correctly and naturally.

The course in Household Management for the last half year deals with the cost of purchasing foods and clothing, the cost of operating, the management of the home and questions of state and city sanitation vital to the health of the individual family. Included in this is a study of household budgets and accounts, methods of buying and laundering.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE E. MITIGUY

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL ARTS IN THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

To date, the work being done by the individual boy of the Junior High School is regulated according to

First — the boy's particular skill to complete his project.

Second — the need of the project.

By the second forementioned item is meant: — Will the completed project be an asset to the individual or to his home? When these two items are thoroughly looked into, one need not fear that the boy's interest will be kept alive.

The boy's interest must be secured, and held. When the boy is working to a worthy end he is liable to remain interested throughout the project.

Each individual, out of the entire enrollment of boys, is allowed to choose, and work on his own project if he is seen to be capable of so doing. Although more work is required on the teacher's part, the boy's interest is kept at the proper height.

The eighth grade boys are working on Priscilla sewing cabinets, end tables, costumers, magazine stands, telephone seats and tables, foot-stools, tabarets, and minor projects. The seventh grade boys are completing plant stands, bread boards, toy carts, tie racks, towel racks, and watch stands. The few members of the special class have done very well on toy carts.

Previously to this year, the graduating class in manual training has done something worthy of mention for the school. The present graduating class is planning to refinish and paint all the dressing rooms in the building. They are also planning to make a seat for the reception hall.

This year "Tool Insurance" has been inaugurated. Each boy may pay one penny each manual training period to cover any tool breakage, etc., that may occur. If the tool is broken a new one is bought for replacement out of the accumulated insurance fees. This insurance rests wholly with the boy and is not compulsory. On alternating Wednesday mornings a Handcraft Club for girls is held. At present, the twenty girls in this club are making small toys. The intention of the club is to give the girls an insight into minor repairs about their homes.

The classes in Mechanical Drawing have completed to date:— layout of paper, use of drawing instruments, lettering, character lines, and developing of simple ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. TORPEY

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF HOME MAKING
IN THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TO THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Dear Sir :

The aim of the Domestic Science courses at the Junior High School is to encourage the girls to be of greater help in the homes. They are given a knowledge of food values, combinations, skill and economy in the preparation of foods and are encouraged in the use of correct table service and etiquette.

The seventh grade cooking classes learn the methods of preparing simple foods that may be served at breakfast and supper, such as cocoa, cereal, popovers, biscuits, muffins, cake, cookies, creamed vegetables, and simple desserts. In the eighth grade the girls have a slight review of batters and doughs, making pastry, bread, and pleasing desserts, and the study of canning and preservation of foods, cuts of meat, types of fish, uses of eggs, preparation of soups, and the ways of serving fruit, both raw and cooked.

Again this year, on alternating Wednesday mornings the boys have been given an opportunity to take Camp Cooking, and learn to prepare foods which can be cooked easily and quickly.

In the sixth grade sewing classes, the girls learn the fundamental stitches, applying them to a cooking uniform to be worn the following year. Those who work rapidly have a chance to make some other simple garment. In the seventh grade the care and use of the sewing machine is taught and applied to simple undergarments and later, to dresses. In the eighth grade dresses, skirts, and blouses, more difficult in construction are made. Last year there were also a few hats made.

Respectfully submitted,

LEILA I. ANDERSON.

REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF THE OPPORTUNITY CLASS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

The Opportunity Class began the year in September with 17 pupils, 7 girls and 10 boys. Although it is a small group, yet it is a good number to work with, as it provides opportunity for much individual help, which is just what most of these children need.

The work of the previous year has been continued, with few changes. The class this term is more of a primary group than has heretofore been the case. The difference in ages and in ability has necessitated the dividing of the class into two divisions, and under such conditions the work is accomplished as well as could be expected.

Although there is no noticeable scholastic improvement, still there is a constant growth in almost everyone in regard to cleanliness, manners, posture, etc.

We try to give the children a great deal of handwork, as well as the usual studies, which, by the way, consist mainly of the three R's. In doing drawing and handwork, free work is encouraged, in order to find out in what the child is really interested and proficient. One boy, for instance, shows talent for drawing and clay modelling. In his spare time, he does some very interesting clay figures, either original, or in illustration of stories read in class.

Penmanship is of course stressed, and, with the exception of two or three of the younger boys, a very good quality of handwriting is maintained.

All the girls are allowed to study Domestic Science with the Junior High School girls, and four of the older boys, twelve to fourteen years old, are studying Manual Training. Besides this, the two oldest boys take their Physical Training with the Junior High School.

Along the lines of handwork, we have been working on net weaving, with yarn, making very attractive under-

arm bags and pocketbooks. As an extra bit of project work, the girls in their spare time are working on a braided rug, made of felt contributed by their parents.

Our aim is to give the children a working knowledge of the fundamental subjects, and to stress in each individual the subject for which he or she seems to have the most aptitude.

In everyone we try to emphasize the idea of neatness and cleanliness, and often during a lull in the school work, we organize a "house cleaning brigade" and, assigning various tasks to different groups, a thorough cleaning is given to the room in a short time. In this work, attention to details is important, but hardly has to be spoken of to them as they all like this form of activity very much and do the best they know how.

Though progress is not particularly evident, yet it is noticeable when you consider the abilities, both mental and moral, of this type of children. A little change in the right direction is something to hope for and to rejoice at, even though it may be slow in coming.

Respectfully submitted,

ELDORA BISPHAM

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report as School Physician for the year 1927:

Number of pupils examined	1501
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The following defects were noted and the proper notice sent to the parent:

Number of children having defective teeth	129
Number of children having defective eyes	9
Number of children having defective ears	1
Number of children having diseased tonsils	69

Number of children having Pediculosis	60
Number of children having disease of skin	3
Number of children having disease of heart	1
Number of children not vaccinated	7
Re-examined for Pediculosis	46
Excluded for Pediculosis	14
Excluded for Impetigo	2
Health certificates and examinations for work cards	175

This year special attention has been given to the problem of Pediculosis (head lice) with good results. Repeated notices sent to parents failed. As a last resort the children were excluded from school and success attended our efforts. As a whole I think the pupils in our schools will compare very favorably with those of other towns as regards health and cleanliness. Perfection will never be attained but we are striving to come as near perfection as possible.

In previous years I have advocated the opening of an "open air" school for some of our pupils. I still wish to call the attention of our citizens to the value of such a school. It is my belief that such a school would pay big dividends in better health. If an "open air" school cannot be provided can we not have a summer camp? Those children who have spent their vacations at Brain-tree have shown great improvement in health. Such a plan is well worth our careful consideration.

The epidemic of Scarlet Fever last winter and through the Spring months added greatly to the work of the School Nurse and Physician. That conditions were no worse is a matter for congratulation.

Respectfully submitted,

SOLON ABBOTT, M. D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

Every effort was made this year to help keep the school children in good health. During the winter when

Scarlet Fever and Measles seemed prevalent, the local Board of Health and the School Doctor made frequent examinations of every pupil. Later, these examinations were made until a late date in the school year by the school nurse. All suspicious cases were excluded from the schools, only to return with a Doctor's certificate. As usual during the cold weather hot drinks were obtainable to all barge pupils at a very small cost. In October, the local Health and School Departments after considering the matter decided that "Toxin-Anti-Toxin" against Diphtheria would be of great benefit to all the children as well as the community. With the co-operation of teachers and parents, the State Doctor treated in the schools 953 children to this immunizing serum, about 50 of whom were pre-school children.

One boy was sent to the "Braintree Health Camp" for eight weeks, coming back much improved physically.

"Home Nursing" classes were given to groups of High School girls during the winter. As in other years, the parents, local doctors and dentists, and organizations are to be thanked for their helpful co-operation.

We are still asking for an Open Air School for our Pre T. B. type of child. It is hoped we may obtain this soon.

Summary for Year 1927

Number of Examinations made in schools	9,582
Number of Examinations made in homes	93
Number of pupils excluded	
1 Scarlet Fever	
23 Contagious	
24 Pediculosis	
4 Impetigo	
1 Chicken Pox	
—	53
Number of dressings done in schools	9
Number of pupils weighed	620
Number of General Inspections	374
Number of Health Talks	252
Number of Home Visits	294
Number of School Visits	353
Number of Schools visited	10
Number of pupils taken to Doctor	12
Number of pupils taken to Dentist	6
Number of pupils taken to Hospital	10

Number of pupils taken to Oculist	8
Number of pupils taken to Camp	1
Number of cases reported to Board of Health	0
Contagion found in schools	
4 Impetigo	
1 Chicken Pox	
1 Scarlet Fever	
—	6
Contagion found in homes	
10 Measles	
1 Scarlet Fever	
2 Impetigo	
—	13
Other visits made appertaining to schools	111
Conventions attended	
Posture film — Boston	
Health meeting — Framingham	
2 Nutrition classes — Milford	
—	4
Assisted Doctor with examining	1,501
Assisted Doctor in giving Toxin doses	953
Pupils taken home	8

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE I. MITCHELL, R. N.

STATEMENT OF FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT

Balance on hand January 1, 1927	\$ 50.48
Receipts for year 1927	3,402.91
Total of balance and receipts	\$3,453.39
Expenditures during year 1927	3,125.30
Balance, January 1, 1928	328.09
Bills Payable, January 1, 1928	241.88
Net Balance	\$ 86.21

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER FROM JAN- UARY 1, 1927, TO DECEMBER 31, 1927, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Sir:

The following is the report of the Attendance Officer for the year ending December 31st, 1927:

Number of visits to schools.....	158
Number of absentees reported.....	37
Number of house visits.....	28
Number of investigations at schools.....	13
Number of absentees found to be sick.....	8
Number of truants delivered at schools.....	6
One appearance at Juvenile Court, two cases unfinished.	

There was a time in this State when habitual truancy of school children was a problem, when truant officers were also police officers, and truants were taken to Court before a stern visaged Justice.

It is very different today; the attendance officer is not a police officer, and is, or should be, a kindly adviser to the unthinking offender of our school laws.

We can all look back to the time of our youth when the man with a stick lost more apples than the fellow with a smile who explained things to us.

If a child refuses to take heed of good advice and must be brought to court, the hearing is before the Justice in his private office, where the general public is not admitted. The Judge's verdict may be a commitment to a trade school where the child will be taught a trade and given a chance to acquire the discipline he should have received at home.

An attendance officer, worthy of the name, will not give a child a juvenile court record unless it is absolutely necessary. Happily for all, few children care to keep away from school with its diversified curriculum of both work and play.

Respectfully submitted,
RUSS W. HARDING

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, JUNE 1927.

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- * Edith Sara Abbott
 - Roy Edmund Adams
 - Carl Bokelman
 - Eleanor Alice Bly
 - * Alice Margery Brady
 - Hilda Mary Briggs
 - Harry Bullukian, Jr.
 - Helen Mary Casey
 - Helen Louise Cataldo
 - William George Cody
 - Gladys Virginia Cooke
 - Anna Veronica Costello
 - Emma Rita Costi
 - Grace Celestine Coughlin
 - Lillian May Cruise
 - Frank Domenic DeLucia
 - Bernice May Fleming
 - Charles Edward Gilbert, Jr.
 - Charles Francis Goodwin
 - William Britton Goodwin
 - Josephine Harrington Hawkins
 - Robert Morgan Hosford
 - May Ellis Johnson
 - Laurence Freeman Keating
 - Elizabeth Kerr
 - Samuel Ketover
 - Joseph Patrick Larkin
 - Agnes Melvina Laundry
 - Mary Gwendolyn MacInnis
 - James Joseph McCarthy
 - Walter Rodgers McGuire
 - Florence Anne MacIsaac
 - * Eleanor Catherine Manning
 - Eileen Patricia McMahon
 - Olin Franklin Miller
 - * Esther Agatha Molla
 - Ellen Minerva Mowry
 - Mary Ellen Perkins
 - Thelma Olive Pullen
 - Eleanor Challis Rudolph
 - Alice May Smith

Elinor Burleigh Stackpole
Ralph Francis Tracy
Mildred Agnes Waldron
Victorine Henderson Westman
Margaret Wigglesworth
Margaret Edna Winters
Lillian Elspeth Woodward
Bertha Edna Young

* Class Honors

**ENROLLMENT OF SCHOOLS BY GRADE
DECEMBER 1925, 1926 AND 1927**

School	Grade	1925 Number	1926 Number	1927 Number
High	Post Graduate	6	7	7
	XII	62	51	63
	XI	60	70	77
	X	90	94	115
	IX	121	147	130
Junior High	VIII	145	131	136
	VII	139	152	147
	IV	33	42	37
	III	33	38	31
	Opportunity Class	17	21	17
Ray	VI	34	39	40
	VI	36	38	39
	VI	36	38	41
	VI	35	39	41
Horace Mann	V	41	40	40
	V	36	38	38
	V	39	39	41
	V	35	40	39
Thayer	IV	40	39	43
	III	39	45	40
	II	30	27	33
	I	20	38	30
Nason Street	IV	39	42	34
	III	34	36	38
	II	24	35	39
	I	30	46	42
Arlington Street	IV	33	36	32
	III	42	39	39
	II	43	39	34
	I	40	41	48
Four Corners	II	30	32	40
	I	35	45	42
Brick	I and II	30	33	31
No. Franklin	I-VI		36	43
No. Franklin	I-VIII	34		
Unionville	I-III	25		
So. Franklin	I-VIII	21		
		<hr/> 1,587	<hr/> 1,673	<hr/> 1,687

BEGINNERS BY AGE AND SEX. SEPT., 1927. AGES AS OF OCT. 1, 1927.

Age, years and months	5 to 5-6		5-6 to 6		6 to 6-6		6-6 to 7		7 to 7-6		7-6 to 8		8 to 8-6		TOTALS		
Sex.....	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	T
Thayer	1		6	4	9	7		1	2		1				16	11	27
Nason St.	1	1	4	7	8	7			3						16	16	32
Arlington St.			13	8	8	8	3			1					27	17	44
Four Corners		1	8	9	7	10	3		2	1					21	21	42
Brick		1	1	3	2	3	1								4	7	11
No. Franklin			1				2	1					1		3	2	5
TOTALS	2	3	33	31	34	35	9	2	7	2	2			1	87	74	161
	5		64		69		11		9		2		1			161	

* DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS BY GRADE, AGE, SEX, DECEMBER 1st. 1927.
AGES AS OF SEPTEMBER 1st, 1927.

Grade	I			II			III			IV			V			VI			VII		
Sex.....	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
Age.....	5	36	34	70																	
"	6	50	37	87	22	33	1														
"	7	15	6	21	40	47	87	32	60												
"	8	3	1	4	12	9	21	31	33	13	26	39	18	33	51						
"	9				2	1	3	15	8	40	44	84	40	37	77	17	19	36	2		2
"	10				1		1	3	3	12	9	21	17	11	28	43	36	79	21	27	48
"	11							1	1	4	4	8	7	11	7	21	16	37	28	27	55
"	12														2	9	2	11	19	8	27
"	13									1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	4	8	6	14
"	14												1		1	2	2	4	1		1
"	15																				
"	16															1		1			
"	17																				
"	18																				
Totals.....	104	78	182	77	90	167	79	76	155	69	84	153	85	81	166	95	77	172	79	68	147

* This means all pupils who have been entered on your Register from Sept. 1st to Dec. 1st.

DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS BY GRADE, AGE, SEX, DECEMBER 1st, 1927.
AGES AS OF SEPTEMBER 1st, 1927.

Grade	VIII			OPP. Class			IX			X			XI			XII			P G's			Totals		
Sex	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T			
Age	5																							
"	6																							
"	7																							
"	8																							
"	9																							
"	10																							
"	11	2																						
"	12	19	20																					
"	13	32	23	55																				
"	14	12	14	26																				
"	15	5	5	10																				
"	16	2	2	4																				
"	17																							
"	18																							
"	19																							
"	20																							
Totals.....	72	64	136	10	7	17	66	64	130	53	62	115	44	33	77	27	36	63	4	3	7	864	823	1687

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Arthur W. Hale, Superintendent of Schools
Amherst College, A. B., Harvard University, Ed. M.

List of Regular Teachers to Date

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Where Educated	Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Albert T. Patty, Principal	Indiana State Normal, Tri- State College, B.S., B.Pd., Columbia Summer School, B. U. Summer School	17	1924
Charles F. Frazer, Sub-Master	Harvard Summer School Hyannis Summer School	30	1896
Arthur G. Hilbert.....	Fitchburg Normal Springfield College Summer School	2	1925
Allan B. Smith.....	Bates College, B.S.	0	1927
James J. Doherty.....	Harvard College, A.B.	2	1925
Alice Wiggins.....	Hyannis Normal Radcliffe College, A.B.	25	1902
Ann C. Callahan.....	Boston University, P.A.L.	2	1927
Hilda B. Forster.....	Boston University, A.B.	1	1927
Evelyn McClure.....	Wheaton College, A.B.	1	1926
*Margaret E. Shepard...	Boston University, A.B.	1	1926
Ellen E. Shepard.....	Hyannis Normal School Boston University, B.S.	2	1926
Elizabeth R. Harmon...	Bates College, A.B.	3	1927
Lillian M. Spidle.....	Salem Normal	0	1927
Grace I. Whitaker.....	Bridgewater Normal Boston University, B. S.	0	1927
Gertrude E. Mitiguy....	University of Vermont, B.S.	4	1925

THERON METCALF SCHOOL

Name	Where Educated	Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
J. Etta McCabe, Principal	Bridgewater Normal Harvard Summer School Boston University	15	1912
Dora B. Darling.....	Bessie Tift College, A.B. Harvard Summer School	10	1909
Leila I. Anderson.....	Framingham Normal School	1	1926
Mary L. Emery.....	Boston University	4	1924
Marjorie Leary	Emerson College, B.L.I.	1	1927
Alice M. Twombly.....	Salem Normal School	1	1927
Katherine Lowe	Pennsylvania College for Women, A.B.	0	1927
Mary L. Doherty.....	Hyannis Normal School	8	1920
James P. Torpey.....	Fitchburg Normal School		

METCALF GRADES

Grade

Marion E. Nicholson...4	Framingham Normal School	2	1927
Margaret M. Hart....3	Framingham Normal School	3	1924
M. Eldora Bispham, Opportunity Class.....	Framingham Normal School	0	1927

RAY SCHOOL

Grade

Gertrude A. Curtis....6	Franklin High University Extension	37	1914
Ethel K. Foster.....6	Fall River High	26	1914
E. Mildred Herbert....6	Fitchburg Normal School	1	1927
Mildred E. Mullin.....6	Fitchburg Normal School	2	1927

HORACE MANN SCHOOL		Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Name	Where Educated		
	Grade		
Dollie S. Carroll.....5			
Principal	Farmington, Me., Normal	32	1903
May E. Lennon.....5	Bridgewater Normal	11	1917
Elizabeth J. Howard...5	Bridgewater Normal		
	Hyannis Summer School	9	1920
Eunice A. Granger.....5	Bridgewater Normal	7	1925

THAYER SCHOOL		Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Name	Where Educated		
	Grade		
H. Maud Stott.....3	Dean Academy		
Principal	Hyannis Summer School	17	1910
Vivian A. Rogers.....4	Bridgewater Normal	4	1923
Hope Lincoln.....2	Plymouth, N. H., Normal		
	Hyannis Summer School	16	1918
Jennie P. Baker.....1	Bridgewater Normal		
	Chautauqua & Northfield		
	Summer Courses	45	1882

NASON STREET SCHOOL		Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Name	Where Educated		
	Grade		
Beulah A. Woodward..4	Franklin High School	25	1903
Principal			
Ellen G. Feeley.....3	Bridgewater Normal		
	Boston University	13	1915
Margaret U. Shea.....2	Lucy Wheelock School	6	1924
Gertrude A. Greene....1	Bridgewater Normal	3	1927

ARLINGTON STREET SCHOOL		Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Name	Where Educated		
	Grade		
Emma J. Holmes.....4			
Principal	Bridgewater Normal	25	1902
Lucy E. Tower.....3	Walpole Training Class		
	Harvard Summer School	36	1891
Margaret H. Donahue..2	Bridgewater Normal School	4	1925
Mary S. Vanston.....1	Boston Normal School	24	1926

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOL

Name	Where Educated			
Grade				
Maud L. Granger.....2	Dean Academy			
Principal	Hyannis Summer School	19	1911	
Edith M. Aldrich.....1	Hyannis Normal School	5	1925	

BRICK SCHOOL

Name	Where Educated			
	Grade			
Edith L. Metcalf..	1 and 2	Bridgewater Normal		
		Hyannis Summer School	24	1904

NORTH FRANKLIN SCHOOL

Grade		Years of Teaching Before Sept. 1927	Date of Election in Franklin
Belle G. Nowland...	1 - 6	Bridgewater Normal	14 1920

SPECIAL HELP

Emily M. Ribero.....	Lesley School	1½	1927
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SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mary P. Espinola.....	Music Supervisor's Course		
	Boston University		
	New England Conservatory of Music	3	1926

SUPERVISOR OF ART

Merle K. Tuthill.....	Massachusetts School of Art		
	Columbia University		
	Summer School	10	1923

BOYS' PHYSICAL DIRECTOR

Edward E. Abell.....	Springfield College	1	1926
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GIRLS' PHYSICAL DIRECTOR

Doris M. Kubeck.....	New Haven Normal School of Gymnastics	0	1927
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COMPARATIVE Costs of Franklin Schools for the last FIVE YEARS

		1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
Expenditures						
General Expenses:						
1	School Committee					
	Salaries	\$ 50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
	Expenses, Clerk, Etc.	1,013.15	1,489.35	1,440.59	1,493.08	1,697.66
2	Supt. of Schools					
	Salaries	2,925.08	2,975.00	2,975.00	3,120.88	3,325.00
	Expenses	195.30	299.47	454.15	490.69	419.17
Instruction						
3	Supervisors					
	Salaries	2,022.33	2,100.36	2,345.54	2,279.26	2,473.38
	Expenses	103.00	155.50	146.37	139.50	82.00
4	Principals					
	High	2,400.00	2,565.00	3,195.00	3,380.00	3,540.00
5	Teachers' Salaries					
	High	13,502.50	14,702.00	17,862.50	22,121.25	23,787.00
	Elementary	43,760.00	44,983.28	46,656.31	47,894.62	49,749.17
6	Textbooks					
	High	503.44	794.62	959.91	1,083.34	1,024.32
	Elementary	1,243.86	1,440.20	1,553.14	1,538.87	1,382.43
7	Supplies					
	High	516.98	955.88	1,296.70	2,283.67	2,050.24
	Elementary	1,768.84	2,116.63	2,305.41	2,626.35	2,280.39
8	Wages of Janitors					
	High	1,300.00	1,312.50	1,823.50	3,002.00	2,964.00
	Elementary	5,484.50	5,658.50	6,240.50	7,157.78	6,737.25

9	Fuel					
	High	472.96	537.34	1,689.39	1,058.20	1,326.04
	Elementary	3,654.78	3,724.52	2,623.33	4,129.81	3,904.50
10	Miscellaneous					
	High	371.86	400.83	435.67	890.30	861.05
	Elementary	1,227.49	1,333.38	1,251.87	1,474.05	1,515.21
11	Repairs					
	High	503.24	437.94	211.06	511.63	1,183.88
	Elementary	2,701.43	3,625.96	2,514.86	3,508.95	2,787.17
12	Libraries				4.00	
13	Health	1,158.77	1,178.63	1,188.93	1,280.30	1,386.83
14	Transportation	5,197.30	5,127.93	5,387.90	6,433.53	7,325.80
15	Tuition (to other places)	556.84	478.39	514.70	552.18	679.32
16	Sundries	1,055.77	1,631.38	3,258.94	1,721.81	1,634.37
17	New Equipment and improvements	1,013.58	581.30			
18	Americanization	262.24				
		<u>\$94,966.13</u>	<u>\$100,655.89</u>	<u>\$108,381.27</u>	<u>\$120,226.05</u>	<u>\$124,166.18</u>
Receipts:						
1	Receipts from General					
	School Fund	8,660.00	8,920.00	9,090.00	11,329.50	12,675.00
2	Other Receipts	3,051.83	2,730.18	2,774.85	3,668.97	5,885.23
3	Total Receipts	<u>\$11,711.83</u>	<u>\$11,650.18</u>	<u>\$11,864.85</u>	<u>\$14,998.47</u>	<u>\$18,560.23</u>
4	Net Cost	83,254.30	89,005.71	96,516.42	105,227.58	105,605.95

STATISTICS OF ENROLLMENT, MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE
1917—1927

School Year Ending	Enrollment		Av. Membership		Av. Attendance		Percent Attendance	
	Total	High El.	Total	High El.	Total	High El.	Total	High El.
June, 1917	1274	197	1190	190	1110	170	92.	94.
" 1918	1287	184	1195	168	1125	160	94.	95.
" 1919	1287	160	1274	153	1137	144	89.	94.
" 1920	1355	168	1241	155	1135	148	91.	95.
" 1921	1354	200	1304	187	1228	180	94.	96.
" 1922	1470	244	1392	230	1301	217	94.	94.
" 1923	1488	284	1403	252	1327	240	95.	95.
" 1924	1487	262	1433	242	1355	231	94.6	95.5
" 1925	1542	297	1476	269	1396	258	94.6	95.9
" 1926	1596	340	1533	310	1446	292	94.3	94.
" 1927	1662	371	1561	344	1460	326	93.5	94.8
Sept.-Dec., 1927	1642	392	1587	377	1516	358	95.5	95.7

TOTAL EXPENDITURE AND PER PUPIL COST

1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
\$93,867.72	\$93,690.31	\$100,656.49	\$108,381.27	\$120,226.05	\$124,166.18
\$68.07	\$66.49	\$69.32	\$72.06	\$78.73	\$78.24

CHANGES IN TEACHING STAFF

1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
15	15	12	14	15	9	16	17

FRANKLIN TOWN RECORDS
FOR THE YEAR 1927

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

February 8th, 1927.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,
in the County of Norfolk,

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the qualified voters of the said Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday the Eighth day of February, A. D. 1927, it being the second Tuesday in said February, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:—

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following Town Officers, viz:—A Moderator, three Selectmen, a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, an Auditor, three Overseers of the Poor, a Tree Warden, three Constables, all for the term of one year; one Assessor of Taxes for the term of three years, one Member of the Board of Health for the term of three years, one Member of the School Committee for the term of three years, one Member of the Water and Sewer Commissioners for the term of three years and two Members of the Town Planning Board for the term of three years.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning January 1st, 1927, in anticipation of the revenue for said year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving a note or notes in the name of the Town.

Article 4. To hear a report of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote the receipts of the different departments during the year 1926, and now in the Treasury, for use during the year 1927, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for the following purposes, to wit:

1. For General Government, including the compensation and expenses of the Selectmen, Auditor, Collector of Taxes, Assessors of Taxes, Town Clerk, also for Elections and Registrations, Town Hall, and other Finance Accounts.
2. For Protection of Persons and Property, including the Payment of Police and Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, Support of the Fire Department, Sealing of Weights and Measures, Extermination of Elm Beetles and Gypsy Moths, Trimming of Shade Trees, and Forest Fires.
3. For Health and Sanitation, including expenses of the Board of Health, inspection of School Children, inspection of Animals, inspection of Meats and Provisions, construction and maintenance of Sewers and Sewer Beds.
4. For Highways and Bridges, including construction and repair of Roads, Bridges, Street Lighting, Street Sprinkling, and all other highway expenses.
5. For Public Charities, including compensation and expenses of the Overseers of the Poor, expenses at the Almshouse, for aid to Outside Poor.
6. For Soldiers' Benefits, including State Aid, Soldiers' Relief and Soldiers' Burials.
7. For Education, including all the expenses of the School Committee.
8. For the Franklin Public Library.
9. For the Improvement of the Commons.
10. For Unclassified Accounts, including the Decoration of Soldiers' Graves, Printing of the Town Report.
11. For the Maintenance and Operation of the Water Department, including the compensation of the Water Commissioners.

12. For the Payment of Interest on Town Debts.

13. For the Payment of Municipal Indebtedness.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the uses of the Assessors in reducing the tax rate of the current year, the sum of \$7000 from the Excess and Deficiency Account, and vote to use for the same purpose the sum of \$9089.50, the same being Excess Money returned by the State Department of Taxation on account of Intangible Tax. Said use of money to be deferred until after August 1st, 1927, that interest charge on temporary loans may be reduced.

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Article 14. To see what action the Town will take relative to joining with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and the Norfolk County Commissioners in the repair and improvement of King and Washington Streets; appropriate and raise the sum of \$6000 therefor or do anything relating thereto.

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money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five citizens, at least one of whom shall be a member of the American Legion, to prepare plans and suggestions for the erection of a suitable memorial to the men of Franklin who served in the World War, to cost not over \$10,000, and appropriate two hundred and fifty (250) dollars for the use of said committee.

Article 17. To see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Central Street in Franklin or any section or relocation thereof, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town, or take any other action with respect thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to execute a release to John J. Redpath of all interest acquired by the Town under deed of Annie Carroll to the Town of Franklin recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 596, page 173, in and to the following described parcel: Bounded westerly by Summer Street, as now located; northerly by land formerly of C. M. Tingley et ux, now of one Hunchard and southerly by King Street as now located. This release being for the purpose of clearing title, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000, to be expended by the Selectmen in the construction of granolithic sidewalks, in whole or in part as abutters may contribute a like amount or do anything relating thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient amount of money to install electric lights along Brook Street and Daniels Street as far as the last dwelling, i. e., the property owned by Mr. E. Eida.

Article 21. To see what if any sum of money the Town will appropriate to install street lights and improve the roadway on that section of Wachusett Street between Arlington Street and King Street.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain 12 additional street lights on Maple Street;

appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain one or more street lights on Alpine Row or do anything relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to prepare and report at some future town meeting a Zoning Plan and Building Regulations for the Town of Franklin.

Article 25. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to sell the two parcels of land situated on Lincoln Street known jointly as the North Franklin Schoolhouse Lot. Said parcels being described as follows: Parcel 1. A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the said Franklin on the west side of the road leading from Franklin Center to Medway Village, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at said road at the junction therewith of the road leading past the house of the grantor (Emerson N. Bullard), thence north 84 deg., W. 8 rods to stake and stones, thence north $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg., E. nine rods to a stone wall, thence South 88 deg. East on and including said stone wall eight rods to said road, thence South $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg. West on said Medway road nine and $\frac{3}{5}$ rods to the place of beginning. Parcel 2. Beginning at the southwest corner thereof at the northwest corner of land of the grantees, thence northerly one rod on land of grantor (Emerson N. Bullard) to the end of a wall, thence easterly about eight rods as the wall now stands to said street, thence southerly on said street one rod, thence westerly about eight rods on land of the grantees to the corner first mentioned.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to either construct, purchase or lease and maintain within its limits, a plant for the manufacture or distribution or both of Electricity for Municipal use and the use of its inhabitants; such plant to include suitable land, structures and machinery and other apparatus and appliances for manufacturing and distributing electricity for said purposes and in accordance with Chapter 164 of the General Laws; and for this purpose the Town be empowered to borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to prepare plans for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Franklin in 1928, or take any other action in that direction.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1087.26 to balance the accounts overdrawn as follows:—Collector \$53.57; Assessors \$111.51; Police \$259.42; Gypsy Moth \$.67; Shade Trees \$19.70; Poor \$452.68; Roads \$189.71.

Article 29. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land situated on the west side of Washington Street and commonly known as the South Franklin Schoolhouse Lot, said lot or parcel being described as follows: A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the southerly part of Franklin and bounded northerly and easterly by land of Willard C. Whiting now or formerly, and southerly by Washington Street. Containing one acre be the same more or less.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Far-
rington Street.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$500, the same to be expended in the repair of Grand Army Hall, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to release to Guido and Luisa Beschi, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, all its right, title and interest in and to the right of way now owned by it over and across the southerly end of the premises now owned by said Guido and Luisa Beschi and situated on Alpine Place, upon receipt from John Ketover of a substitute right of way twenty (20) feet in width leading from said Alpine Place to the Franklin Sewer Location, so called, and will vote to authorize and instruct its Selectmen to prepare, execute and deliver such release or other conveyance as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, upon receipt of such substitute right of way, or do anything relating thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to sell the following described property situated on or near the line between the towns of Wrentham and Franklin: Said Parcel contains 21 acres more

or less and is situated in the easterly part of Franklin, bounded Northerly by land of E. S. Cook, Easterly by land of Olaf Ekberg, Southerly by Wrentham town line and Westerly by land formerly of W. H. Bright, H. A. Hartshorn and Cressy Morrison, now owned by Joseph Grici and John Jarvis, and being the same premises conveyed to the town of Franklin by deeds recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 587 and page 478 and book 623, page 250.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain ten street lights on Elm Street from Lincoln Street westerly or do anything relating thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of meeting as directed by the vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, at the time and place of meeting.

Given under our hands this Twenty-seventh day of January, A. D. 1927.

RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK,
Selectmen of Franklin.

Franklin, Mass., January 31, 1927.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the Eighth day of February, A. D. 1927, at six o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the Post Offices of the Town and in ten other public places, in compliance with Section Two of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon attest:—

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO
Town Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

February 8th, 1927.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the aforesaid Town of Franklin, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met at the Town Hall, in said Town, on the second Tuesday, it being the eighth day of said month, A. D. 1927.

The meeting was called to order at the time and place named in said warrant, by Arthur W. Peirce the Moderator, and at his request the warrant and return thereon were read by the Town Clerk, excepting the Articles numbered four to thirty-four inclusive. On Jan. 21, 1926 the Selectmen appointed Owen H. Morrissey: Harlan R. Mackenzie: Eva B. Lawrence and Mary A. Donnelly as Ballot Clerks and they were sworn as such by the Town Clerk on the day of said election before receiving ballots, and before the opening of the polls the said clerk delivered to them a bundle packed and sealed, containing 2250 official ballots, and the receipt of said Ballot Clerks was taken in the following form; Franklin, Mass., Feb.-8, 1927. Received from Michael J. Costello, Town Clerk of Franklin a sealed package said to contain 2250 official ballots, to be used at the election held in this Town this day.

HARLAN R. MACKENZIE

OWEN H. MORRISSEY

EVA B. LAWRENCE

MARY A. DONNELLY

Ballot Clerks

Freeman G. Knowlton: Paul A. Gilbert and Loring E. Johnson were sworn as officers by the Town Clerk.

The cards of instructions and specimen ballots were posted as required by law and the meeting proceeded to vote and elect officers under Article 1 in the warrant.

Voted that the polls close at 5 P. M.

The ballot box, provided by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, used at the election, was publicly opened and shown to be empty, and was examined by the Moderator and Town Clerk, and found to be empty, and the register thereon was set at 000, and then locked and the key given to Officer Freeman G. Knowlton, and the polls were declared open.

When the ballots were delivered to the voters by the Ballot Clerks, the check list was used, and the name of each voter receiving a ballot was announced and checked thereon by the Ballot Clerks; and the voter so receiving the ballot marked it at the marking shelf or compartment, and then deposited the ballot in the box, as directed by the Moderator. The name of each voter so casting a ballot was announced in a loud and distinct tone of voice and checked upon the check-list by the election officers in charge of said box and list.

On Jan. 21, 1926 the Selectmen appointed William S. Johnson, Thomas F. Keefe, Elizabeth R. Feeley, Emily A. Harding and M. Lillian Costello as Election Officers. Thomas F. Keefe was unable to serve and Mary U. Walsh was appointed and they were sworn by the Town Clerk.

At 8.20 o'clock A. M. by unanimous consent of the election officers, the ballots were taken from the box, which registered 182 and the counting of the ballots then commenced, and in said ballot box there were found to be 182 ballots.

And on motion the polls were closed at 5 o'clock P. M. Then the register on the ballot box showed that 1441 ballots had been cast therein, and the names checked on each voting list were then counted by the election officers and the number checked was 1441 which was announced. All the ballots cast by the voters as aforesaid were sorted, counted and declaration thereof made by the Town Clerk in open meeting, as follows, Viz:—

FOR MODERATOR

Arthur W. Peirce, Nom. Papers	
Had nine hundred seven	907
Blanks, Five hundred thirty four	534

And the said Arthur W. Peirce was declared elected and was sworn by the Town Clerk in open town meeting.

FOR SELECTMEN

Daniel A. Cody Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred thirty seven	1037
Edward S. Cook, Nom. Papers	
Had eight hundred fifty nine	859
Ruel E. Heywood, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred ninty six	1096
John S. Paine, Nom. Papers	
Had three hundred fifty nine	359
Louis Spera, Nom. Papers	
Had two hundred fifty seven	257
Blanks Seven hundred fourteen	714
Scattering, one	1

And the said Ruel E. Heywood, Daniel A Cody and Edward S. Cook were declared elected and they were sworn by the Town Clerk on the Day of Election.

FOR TOWN CLERK

Michael J. Costello, Nom. Papers	
Had eleven hundred ninty one	1191
Blanks, two hundred forty nine	249
Scattering, one	1

And the said Michael J. Costello was declared elected and he was sworn by the Moderator in open Town Meeting.

FOR TOWN TREASURER

A. Schuyler Clapp, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred seventy nine	1079
Blanks, three hundred sixty	360
Scattering, two	2

And the said A. Schuyler Clapp was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk Feb 10th.

FOR ASSESSOR OF TAXES FOR THREE YEARS

Louis Rosa, Nom. Papers	
Had two hundred forty-seven	247
Leslie H. Ware, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred sixty three	1063

Blanks, one hundred thirty one	131
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And the said Leslie H. Ware was declared elected and the Town Clerk administered to him the oath of office prescribed by law on Feb. 10th.

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

James B. Crocker, Nom. Papers	
Had two hundred ten	210
George E. Emerson, Nom. Papers	
Had Seven hundred twenty	720
John B. Healey, Nom. Papers	
Had four hundred ninty seven	497
Nellie R. Kerr, Nom. Papers	
Had two hundred sixteen	216
Alden T. Mann, Nom. Papers	
Had three hundred seventy two	372
Nicholas M. Mucciarone, Nom. Papers	
Had one hundred sixty three	163
Wilton A. Pond, Nom. Papers	
Had three hundred four	304
George F. Ribero, Nom. Papers	
Had eight hundred ninty four	894
Lawrence Verschoor, Nom. Papers	
Had one hundred fifty seven	157
Blanks, seven hundred eighty eight	788
Scattering, two	2

And the said George F. Ribero, George E. Emerson and John B. Healey were declared elected and George E. Emerson and John B. Healey were sworn on the day of election by the Town Clerk. George F. Ribero was sworn on Feb 10th.

FOR AUDITOR

Carl B. Emerson, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred four	1004
Blanks, four hundred thirty seven	437

And the said Carl B. Emerson was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk Feb 9th.

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Clara E. Martin, Nom. Papers	
Had eleven hundred sixty nine	1169
Blanks, two hundred seventy one	271
Scattering, one	1

And the said Clara E. Martin was declared elected and she was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb 9th.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Lee C. Abbott, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred seventy three	1073
Blanks, three hundred sixty eight	368

And the said Lee C. Abbott was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb. 14.

FOR BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS

John M. Crowley, Nom. Papers	
Had eleven hundred seven	1107
Blanks, three hundred thirty-two	332
Scattering, two	2

And the said John M. Crowley was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb. 9.

FOR WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONER
FOR THREE YEARS

Leroy W. Stott, Nom. Papers	
Had eleven hundred twenty-one	1121
Blanks, three hundred twenty	320

And the said Leroy W. Stott was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk on March 7th.

FOR CONSTABLES

Carl F. Engler, Nom. Papers	
Had nine hundred twenty-five	925
William T. Hooper, Nom. Papers	
Had six hundred forty-six	646
Freeman G. Knowlton, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred thirty-three	1033

Herbert C. Stewart, Nom. Papers	
Had six hundred sixty	660
Blanks, ten hundred fifty-nine	1059

And the said Freeman G. Knowlton, Carl F. Engler, and Herbert C. Stewart were declared elected. Freeman G. Knowlton was sworn on the day of election. Herbert C. Stewart was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb. 9th. Carl F. Engler was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb. 11th.

FOR TREE WARDEN

John W. Stobbart, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred fifty three	1053
Blanks, three hundred eighty eight	388

And the said John W. Stobbart was declared elected and he was sworn by the Town Clerk on the day of election.

FOR TOWN PLANNING BOARD FOR THREE YEARS

Orestes T. Doe, Nom. Papers	
Had ten hundred forty-seven	1047
Eugene F. Sullivan	
Had one hundred thirty-two	132
Ralph A. Gallagher	
Had thirty-seven	37
Scattering, sixty-seven,	67
Blanks, fifteen hundred ninty-nine	1599

And the said Orestes T. Doe and Eugene F. Sullivan were declared elected and Orestes T. Doe was sworn by the Town Clerk, Feb. 10th, Eugene F. Sullivan was sworn by the Town Clerk on Feb 10th.

Whole number of votes cast	
was fourteen hundred forty-one	1441
471 women	
970 men	

After the declaration of the vote, as aforesaid, all the ballots cast at said election were sealed, and the voting lists used by said election were enclosed in an envelope and sealed, and each of said envelopes was endorsed by the election officers, according to law.

The Moderator caused all ballots which were not distributed to voters to be enclosed in an envelope and sealed, and he certified thereon that said envelope contained such undistributed ballots; and all said envelopes containing said ballots and check-lists were placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

Article 2. Voted that the remaining Town Officers be appointed by the Selectmen.

Article 3. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be, and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning Jan. 1, 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable in one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

And on motion at 6.55 P. M. the meeting was adjourned to Morse Opera House to Tuesday, March 1st at 7.30 P. M.

A true record.

Attest:

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 1, 1927.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator Arthur W. Peirce and the business proceeded as follows:

Article 4. To hear a report of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

1. Voted that the reports of the Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Reports be accepted and the Officers be requested to make their reports more complete.

2. That the Town Building By-Laws Committee be excused from future service and the Committee on Fire Department be continued, and that the Town vote its appreciation of the effort and the results accomplished by the High School Building Committee, and that the Committee at their request be discharged from future service.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote the receipts of the different departments during the year 1926, and now in the Treasury, for use during the year 1927, or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the receipts of the different departments during the year 1927, and now in the Treasury, be transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for the following purposes, to wit:

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate for the following named purposes the following sums of money for the current year:—

1. For Selectmen	\$ 1,500.00
For Auditor	350.00
For Treasurer	1,350.00
including \$1000 for salary and \$350 for expenses.	
For Collector of Taxes	2,300.00
and that the compensation for the Collector of Taxes shall be three- fourths of one per cent on all taxes committed to her for collection.	
For Assessors of Taxes	2,350.00
and that the compensation for each Assessor shall be at the rate of \$6.00 per day for services rendered.	
For Town Clerk	550.00
For Elections and Registrations	400.00

For Town Hall Maintenance.....	800.00
For Law Department.....	500.00
For other Finance Accounts.....	50.00
2. Protection of Persons and Property	8,900.00
For Payments of Police and Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, the salaries of the police to cover all services rendered.	
For Support of the Fire Department	13,000.00
To include \$400 for salary of the Chief Engineer, \$200 salary for each Assistant Engineer, \$400 for care of the fire alarm system, and \$5000 for improvements and additions to fire alarm apparatus at the Central Fire Station.	
For Sealing of Weights and Measures	350.00
For Extermination of Brown Tail and Gypsy Moths	1,500.00
For Trimming Shade Trees.....	800.00
For Forest Fires.....	1,200.00
including \$200 for salary of Forest Fire Warden and \$200 for new fire extinguishers.	
Health and Sanitation	2,800.00
For Board of Health, including inspection of meats and provisions; all to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health.	
For Inspection of School Children.....	500.00
For Inspection of Animals.....	200.00
For Sewers and Sewer Beds.....	5,000.00
4. Highways and Bridges.....	30,000.00
For Roads, Bridges and Walks and repairs thereof.	
For Street Lighting.....	11,000.00
And that the Selectmen be instructed to take such measures as they can to secure reduced lighting rates.	
For Street Sprinkling or purchase of oil or road-binder, and applying same to streets of the Town.....	13,000.00

5. Public Charities	24,000.00
For Public Charities, including compensation and expenses of the Overseers of the Poor, expenses of the Almshouse, aid to Outside Poor, and \$1000 for repairing Almshouse.	
6. For Soldiers' benefits, including State Aid, Soldiers' burials, and Soldiers' relief	1,000.00
7. Education	123,000.00
For Support of Schools, including salary of Superintendent, transportation of scholars, repairing of school-houses, night school and miscellaneous school expenses.	
8. For Support of Library of Franklin Library Association, the Association to have the power to spend as much of the appropriation as is not used for the support of the library, for new books	1,500.00
9. For Care and Improvement of the Commons, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.....	350.00
10. Unclassified Accounts	
For Decoration of Soldiers' Graves, to be expended alike by Post 60, G. A. R., Camp 60, Spanish War Veterans, and Post 75, American Legion.	300.00
For Printing Town Reports.....	487.50
11. For Maintenance and operation of Water Department, including compensation of the Water Commissioners.	8,780.00
and in addition thereto \$13,989.47, same being the unexpended balance in the treasury of this Department, together with the receipts of the Water Department.	
12. For payment of Interest on Town Debts.	20,000.00

13. For payment of Municipal Indebted-
ness. 28,000.00
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Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the uses of the Assessors in reducing the tax rate of the current year, the sum of \$7000 from the Excess and Deficiency Account, and vote to use for the same purpose the sum of \$9089.50, the same being Excess Money returned by the State Department of Taxation on account of Intangible Tax. Said use of money to be deferred until after August 1st, 1927, that interest charge on temporary loans may be reduced.

Voted:

That there be transferred to the uses of the Assessors, in reducing the tax rate of the current year, the sum of \$15,000 from the Excess and Deficiency Account, and transfer for the same purpose the sum of \$9,089.50, the same being Excess Money returned by the State Department of Taxation on account of Intangible Tax, said use of money to be deferred until after July 1, 1927.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town the ensuing year.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town for the ensuing year

Article 9. To hear a Report on Guide Boards from the Selectmen and act thereon.

Voted:

That the report be submitted to the Town Meeting, and that the Selectmen be instructed to put the Guide Boards in better condition.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Dog License money received for the present year, for the Support of Schools or for the Public Library.

Voted:

That the Town appropriate the Dog License money received during the current year for the support of Schools.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to use the interest of the Lucretia Pond Fund not otherwise provided for, for the care of Town Cemeteries, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Voted:

That the Town authorize and empower the Selectmen to expend the interest of the Lucretia Pond Fund, not otherwise provided for, for the care of Town Cemeteries.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the care and improvement of the Franklin Town Cemetery at Union Street, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen in the care and improvement of the Union Street Cemetery.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to establish the wage of the Members of the Board of Assessors at \$6.00 per day or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That this article be indefinitely postponed, the subject matter having been covered by recommendations under Section 1, Article 6.

Article 14. To see what action the Town will take relative to joining with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and the Norfolk County Commissioners in the repair and improvement of King and Washington Streets; appropriate and raise the sum of \$6000 therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) for the repair and improvement of King and Washington Streets, contingent upon the contribution of \$6,000.00 by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) by the Norfolk County Commissioners, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen with the approval of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to extend its present sewerage system or establish a new sewerage system in the Plains District, so-called, and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Article be referred to the Water and Sewer Commissioners, with instructions to report their findings to the next Annual Town Meeting, and that the sum of \$500 be raised and appropriated for necessary expenses incurred.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee of five citizens, at least one of whom shall be a member of the American Legion, to prepare plans and suggestions for the erection of a suitable memorial to the men of Franklin who served in the World War, to cost not over \$10,000, and appropriate two hundred and fifty (250) dollars for the use of said committee.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five citizens, at least one of whom shall be a member of the American Legion, to prepare plans and suggestions for the erection of a suitable memorial to the men of Franklin who served in the World War, to cost not over \$10,000; that the Town raise and appropriate \$250 for the use of said Committee; and that said Committee shall report their doings to some future Town Meeting.

Article 17. To see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all

claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Central Street in Franklin or any section or relocation thereof, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town, or take any other action with respect thereto.

Voted:

That the Town indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Central Street in Franklin or any section or relocation thereof, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to execute a release to John J. Redpath of all interest acquired by the Town under deed of Annie Carroll to the Town of Franklin recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 596, page 173, in and to the following described parcel: Bounded westerly by Summer Street, as now located; northerly by land formerly of C. M. Tingley et ux, now of one Hunchard and southerly by King Street as now located. This release being for the purpose of clearing title, or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to execute a release to John J. Redpath of all interest acquired by the Town under deed of Annie Carroll to the Town of Franklin recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 596, page 173, excepting so much thereof as is within the public highway as laid out at the present time and to the following described parcel: Bounded westerly by Summer Street, as now located; northerly by land formerly of Frank O. Prime, later of C. M. Tingley et ux, now of one Hunchard, and southerly by King Street, as now located; said release being for the purpose of clearing title to said described premises, correcting errors, if any, in said deed.

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000 to be expended by the Selectmen in the construction of granolithic sidewalks, in whole or in part as abutters may contribute a like amount or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000, to be expended by the Selectmen in the construction of granolithic sidewalks, in whole or in part as abutters may contribute a like amount.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient amount of money to install electric lights along Brook Street and Daniels Street as far as the last dwelling, i. e., the property owned by Mr. E. Eida.

Voted:

To install nineteen electric lights along Brook and Daniels Streets and the Town raise and appropriate \$375.00 therefor.

Article 21. To see what if any sum of money the Town will appropriate to install street lights and improve the roadway on that section of Wachusett Street between Arlington Street and King Street.

Voted:

That this article be referred to the Selectmen.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain 12 additional street lights on Maple Street; appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain one or more street lights on Alpine Row or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 24. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to prepare and report at some future town meeting a Zoning Plan and Building Regulations for the Town of Franklin.

Voted:

That the Town Planning Board be instructed to prepare and report at some future town meeting a Zoning Plan and Building Regulations for the Town.

Article 25. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to sell the two parcels of land situated on Lincoln Street known jointly as the North Franklin Schoolhouse Lot. Said parcels being described as follows: Parcel 1. A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the said Franklin on the west side of the road leading from Franklin Center to Medway Village, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at said road at the junction therewith of the road leading past the house of the grantor (Emerson N. Bullard), thence north 84 deg., W. 8 rods to stake and stones, thence north $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg., E. nine rods to a stone wall, thence South 88 deg. East on and including said stone wall eight rods to said road, thence South $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg. West on said Medway road nine and $3\frac{1}{5}$ rods to the place of beginning. Parcel 2. Beginning at the southwest corner thereof at the northwest corner of land of the grantees, thence northerly one rod on land of grantor (Emerson N. Bullard) to the end of a wall, thence easterly about eight rods as the wall now stands to said street, thence southerly on said street one rod, thence westerly about eight rods on land of the grantees to the corner first mentioned.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to sell the two parcels of land situated on Lincoln Street known jointly as the North Franklin Schoolhouse Lot. Said parcels being described as follows: Parcel 1. A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the said Franklin on the west side of the road leading from Franklin Center to Medway Village, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at said road at the junction therewith of the road leading past the house of the grantor (Emerson N. Bullard), thence north 84 deg., W. 8 rods to stake and

stones, thence north $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg. E. nine rods to a stone wall, thence South 88 deg. East on and including said stone wall eight rods to said road, thence South $2\frac{1}{4}$ deg. West on said Medway road nine and $3\frac{1}{5}$ rods to the place of beginning. Parcel 2. Beginning at the southwest corner thereof at the northwest corner of land of the grantees, thence northerly one rod on land of grantor (Emerson N. Bullard) to the end of a wall, thence easterly about eight rods as the wall now stands to said street, thence southerly on said street one rod, thence westerly about eight rods on land of the grantees to the corner first mentioned, said lots to be sold either by sealed bids or public auction.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to either construct, purchase or lease and maintain within its limits, a plant for the manufacture or distribution or both of Electricity for Municipal use and the use of its inhabitants; such plant to include suitable land, structures and machinery and other apparatus and appliances for manufacturing and distributing electricity for said purposes and in accordance with Chapter 164 of the General Laws; and for this purpose the Town be empowered to borrow in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted:

That the subject matter of this article be referred to a Committee of five to be appointed by the Moderator, with instructions to report their findings to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 27. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to prepare plans for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Franklin in 1928, or take any other action in that direction.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of ten, with power to increase their own number, to prepare plans for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Franklin in 1928, and the Moderator act as chairman of said committee.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1087.26 to balance the accounts overdrawn as follows:—Collector, \$53.57; Assessors, \$111.51; Police, \$259.42; Gypsy Moth, \$0.67; Shade Trees, \$19.70; Poor, \$452.68; Roads, \$189.71.

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,087.26 to balance the accounts overdrawn as follows:—Collector, \$53.57; Assessors, \$111.51; Police, \$259.42; Gypsy Moth, \$0.67; Shade Trees, \$19.70; Poor, \$452.68; Roads, \$189.71.

Article 29. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land situated on the west side of Washington Street and commonly known as the South Franklin Schoolhouse Lot, said lot or parcel being described as follows: A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the southerly part of Franklin and bounded northerly and easterly by land of Willard C. Whiting now or formerly, and southerly by Washington Street. Containing one acre be the same more or less.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land situated on the west side of Washington Street and commonly known as the South Franklin Schoolhouse Lot, said lot or parcel being described as follows: A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the southerly part of Franklin and bounded northerly and easterly by land of Willard C. Whiting now or formerly, and southerly by Washington Street, containing one acre be the same more or less, said lot to be sold by either sealed bids or by public auction.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way the private way commonly known as Farrington Street.

Voted:

That this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$500, the same to be expended in the repair of Grand Army Hall, or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, the same to be expended by the Selectmen in the repair of Grand Army Hall.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to release to Guido and Luisa Beschi, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, all its right, title and interest in and to the right of way now owned by it over and across the Southerly end of the premises now owned by said Guido and Luisa Beschi and situated on Alpine Place, upon receipt from John Ketover of a substitute right of way twenty (20) feet in width leading from said Alpine Place to the Franklin Sewer Location, so called, and will vote to authorize and instruct its Selectmen to prepare, execute and deliver such release or other conveyance as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this vote, upon receipt of such substitute right of way, or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That the subject matter of this article be referred to the Board of Selectmen with power to act thereon in their discretion.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to sell the following described property situated on or near the line between the towns of Wrentham and Franklin: Said Parcel contains 21 acres more or less and is situated in the easterly part of Franklin, bounded Northerly by land of E. S. Cook, Easterly by land of Olaf Ekberg, Southerly by Wrentham town line and Westerly by land formerly of W. H. Bright, H. A. Hartshorn and Cressy Morrison, now owned by Joseph Grici and John Jarvis, and being the same premises conveyed to the Town of Franklin by deeds recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 587 and page 478 and book 623, page 250.

Voted:

That the Town instruct the Selectmen to sell the following described property situated on or near the line between the towns of Wrentham and Franklin: Said Parcel contains 21 acres more or less and is situated in

the easterly part of Franklin, bounded Northerly by land of E. S. Cook, Easterly by land of Olaf Ekberg, Southerly by Wrentham town line and Westerly by land formerly of W. H. Bright, H. A. Hartshorn and Cressy Morrison, now owned by Joseph Grici and John Jarvis, and being the same premises conveyed to the Town of Franklin by deeds recorded with Norfolk Deeds, book 587 and page 478 and book 623, page 250, said property to be sold by either sealed bids or public auction.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain ten street lights on Elm Street from Lincoln Street westerly or do anything relating thereto.

Voted:

That this article be indefinitely postponed.

COMMITTEE ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY

Mrs. Grace C. Buchanan, Fred P. Chapman, Dr. J. Henry Feeley, Louis Fiorani, Alden T. Mann, Bradley M. Rockwood, Mrs. Nellie H. Sheldon, Mrs. Annie Ray Thayer, Robert E. Thayer, Miss Alice Wiggin, Arthur W. Peirce, chairman.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Jacob F. Geb, Ruel E. Heywood, Morris Simon, Horace W. Hosie, Leroy W. Stott.

WAR MEMORIAL

John F. Conroy, Mrs. Edith W. Hayward, Mrs. Mabelle T. Hussey, Charles A. R. Ray, George F. S. Singleton.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Carl E. Bailey, Carl H. Carlson, A. Schuyler Clapp,
 Daniel A. Cody, Mrs. Agnes B. Dana, Martin W.
 Donahue, Augustine D. Hancock, Miss Catherine L.
 Healey, William S. Johnson, Albert H. Mann, Arthur
 W. Peirce, Harold L. Pendleton, George F. Ribero, John
 M. Riley, Bradley M. Rockwood, Theodore H. Roth,
 Daniel F. Shea, Herbert C. Stewart, Louis Vendette,
 Leslie H. Ware, Palmer A. Woodward,

March 2nd, 1927.

Michael J. Costello, Town Clerk:

This is to notify you that I have the resignation of
 Leslie H. Ware as a member of the Finance Committee
 of 21, and I have appointed in his place, Urban C.
 Holmes.

ARTHUR W. PEIRCE.

And on motion at 9.05 P. M. the meeting was dis-
 solved.

A true record.

Attest:

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,
 Town Clerk.

Franklin, Mass., March 20, 1927.

My dear Mr. Peirce:

I regret that it will be impossible for me to serve
 on the Finance Committee because the Department
 deems it "not advisable."

Thanking you for the consideration shown me,
 I remain,

Sincerely,

CATHERINE L. HEALY.

March 25th, 1927.

Mr. Michael J. Costello,
 Franklin, Mass.

Dear Mr. Costello:

Enclosed please find a letter of resignation from Miss
 Catherine Healey as a member of the Finance Com-
 mittee.

I desire to appoint in her place Miss Annie T. Kelley,
of Pleasant St.

Very cordially yours,
A. W. PEIRCE.

Franklin, Mass., March 14, 1927.

Prof. Arthur W. Peirce, Moderator,
Franklin, Mass.

My dear Mr. Peirce:

Please accept my resignation as a member of the Finance Committee of the Town of Franklin to take effect at once. I regret that it is necessary for me to take this action but in the opinion of the First Assistant Postmaster General it would be inadvisable for me to accept the appointment.

I assure you that I appreciate your confidence in me in appointing me to this committee and trust that you will have no trouble in filling the vacancy.

Sincerely yours,
*CARL H. CARLSON.

March 18th, 1927.

Mr. Michael J. Costello,
Franklin, Mass.

Dear Mr. Costello:

I enclose a letter of resignation from Carl H. Carlson from the Finance Committee.

I desire to appoint in his place Arthur W. Robinson.

Very cordially yours,
ARTHUR W. PEIRCE.

Sept. 13, 1927. Russ W. Harding was appointed Assistant Town Clerk and duly sworn by Michael J. Costello, Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
September 15th. 1927.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,
in said County.

Greeting:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town, to assemble in Town Hall, in said Town, on Thursday, the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1927, at seven hours and thirty minutes in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:—

Article 1. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand six hundred twenty-three and seventy-five one hundredth (\$4,623.75) Dollars for paying land damages caused by the layout and construction by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of State Highway on East Central Street, so called, in the town of Franklin.

Article 2. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred (\$400.00) Dollars for installing weather strips in the J. G. Ray Fire Station on West Central Street, so called in the Town of Franklin.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting. Given under hands and the seal of said Town this first day of September, 1927.

RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK.
Selectmen of Franklin.

Franklin, Mass., September 3, 1927.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, herein described, to assemble in Town Hall, in said Town of Franklin, on Thursday, the fifteenth day of September, A. D. 1927, at seven hours and thirty minutes in the afternoon for the purposes herein mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the post offices of said Town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section 2 of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the Warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 15th, 1927.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, qualified to vote in Town affairs, held in Town Hall on Thursday, September 15th, 1927, the meeting was called to order at 7.45 P. M. by the Moderator Arthur W. Peirce, and the warrant and return thereon was read by the Assistant Town Clerk Russ W. Harding, and the meeting proceeded as follows:

The moderator appointed Albert H. Mann and A. Schuyler Clapp as Tellers and they were sworn by the Moderator and they did ascertain that the number of voters present was 75.

Article 1. Voted unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand six hundred twenty-three dollars and seventy-five cents (\$4,623.75) for paying land damages caused by the lay-out and construction by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of a State Highway on East Central Street, so called, in the Town of Franklin.

Article 2. Voted 65 in the affirmative and one in the negative that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred (\$400.00) Dollars for installing weather strips in the J. G. Ray Fire Station on West Central Street, so called, in the Town of Franklin.

Motion to adjourn at 8.15 P. M.

A true copy Attest:

RUSS W. HARDING
Assistant Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 29th., 1927.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin.

Greeting :

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified Voters of said Town to assemble in their Town Hall, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of September, 1927, at seven hours and thirty minutes in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :—

Article 1. To see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Central Street, or any section or relocation thereof, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town and make an appropriation therefor or take any other action with respect thereto.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 15th day of September, 1927.

RUEL E. HEYWOOD,
DANIEL A. CODY,
EDWARD S. COOK.

Selectmen of Franklin.

Franklin, Mass., September 20, 1927.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, herein described, to assemble in the Town Hall, in said Town of Franklin, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of September, A. D. 1927, at seven hours and thirty minutes in the afternoon for the purpose herein mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the post offices in said Town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section 2 of Article One of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FREEMAN G. KNOWLTON,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,
Town Clerk.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL
TOWN MEETING**

September 29, 1927.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator Arthur W. Peirce and the warrant and return thereon was read by the Town Clerk and the meeting proceeded as follows:

The Moderator appointed Bernard W. McCabe and Herbert Stewart as Tellers and they did ascertain that there were 83 voters present.

Article 1. Voted unanimously that the Town indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, construction or reconstruction of the State Highway known as Central Street, or any section or relocation thereof and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town and make an appropriation therefor, or take any other action with respect thereto.

Voted to adjourn at 7.50.

A true record.

Attest:

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,
Town Clerk.

